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GRAND LODGE
OF
COLORADO.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

At the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge
in 1894, the following was adopted:

"Hereafter, this Grand Lodge, through the office of its Grand Secretary, shall supply each Subordinate Lodge, upon request, all blank books and blanks that are necessary, at the actual cost thereof, and from and after January 1, 1895, the use of all other forms of books and blanks shall be forbidden; Provided, That this edict shall not prevent any Lodge continuing the use of such books of record and ledgers as they now have, but they shall in future supply themselves as herein provided. A committee of three shall be appointed to prepare such set of forms, which, when approved by the Grand Master, shall be the approved forms as herein provided for."

As said Committee never prepared said "set of forms,"
the Grand Secretary can not furnish them.

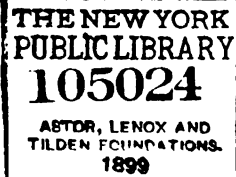
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
M. W. Grand Lodge
OF
A. F. & A. M. OF COLORADO,
AT THE
38th Annual Communication

HELD AT
DENVER, SEPTEMBER 20 AND 21,

A. D. 1898—A. L. 5898.

Ordered that the Constitution and Laws be read in each Lodge.
— See Section 134 of By-Laws.

DENVER, COLORADO:
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GRAND OFFICERS 1898-1899.

HORACE T. DeLONG (55), Grand Junction.....	G. M.
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51), Leadville.....	D. G. M.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15), Cañon City.....	S. G. W.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado Springs.....	J. G. W.
DARIUS A. BARTON (87), Denver.....	G. Treas.
ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Masonic Temple, Denver.....	G. Sec.
ELEAZER W. SIBBALD (15), Cañon City.....	G. Chaplain
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27), Walsenburg.....	G. Orator
FRANK G. MIRICK (31), Golden.....	G. Lecturer
GEORGE T. COOPER (5), Amethyst.....	G. Marshal
MARSHALL H. DEAN (65), Glenwood Springs.....	S. G. D.
HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56), Telluride.....	J. G. D.
LUTHER H. WYGANT, JR. (86), Highlands Station, Denver	S. G. S.
LAWRENCE M. MILLER (55), Grand Junction.....	J. G. S.
THOMAS LINTON (5), Denver.....	G. Tiler

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).....	Denver
JAMES H. PEABODY (15).....	Cañon City
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (7).....	Denver

CHAIRMEN OF OTHER COMMITTEES.

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF (5), Denver.....	Correspondence
CROMWELL TUCKER (5), Denver.....	Returns and Work
WILLIAM L. BUSH (26), Idaho Springs..	Appeals and Grievances
BENJAMIN L. JAMES (7), Denver.....	Finance

The Thirty-ninth Annual will be held in Denver, the third Tuesday in September (19th), 1899.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO
AT THE
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Held September 20th and 21st, 1898.

Denver, Tuesday, September 20, 1898.

The M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. Masons of Colorado, commenced its Thirty-eighth Annual Communication at Masonic Temple, in Denver, on the third Tuesday of September, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m.

A Lodge of Master Masons was opened by the M. W. Grand Master. When the M. W. Grand Lodge was declared opened in Ample Form. The following brethren occupying the several stations:

CROMWELL TUCKER (5).....	G. M.
HORACE T. DeLONG (55).....	D. G. M.
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51).....	S. G. W.
JOSEPH W. MILSON (15).....	J. G. W.
DARIUS A. BARTON (8).....	G. Treas.
ED. C. PARMELEE (48).....	G. Sec.
ELEAZER W. SIBBALD (15).....	as G. Chaplain
LEOPOLD FREUDENTHAL (28).....	G. Orator
FRANK G. MIRICK (31).....	G. Lecturer
GEORGE T. COOPER (5).....	G. Marshal
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13).....	S. G. D.
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27).....	J. G. D.
HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56).....	S. G. S.
WILLIAM A. MARSH (55).....	as J. G. S.
THOMAS LINTON (5).....	G. Tiler

And Representatives from eighty-nine chartered Lodges (all but Nos. 78 and 79).

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees:

ON CREDENTIALS.

The Grand Secretary (48).
 Frank R. Van Meter (13).
 Daniel A. Bradbury (15).

TO EXAMINE VISITING BRETHREN.

Frederick A. Moss (26).
 William H. Thompson (20).
 David Shonerd (74).

REPORT ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials presented their report, which, with others from the same committee, showed the following Grand Officers, permanent members, Representatives from Lodges and Grand Representatives present during the session:

To the Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials submit the following report:

We find the following Grand Officers, Permanent Members, Grand Representatives and Representatives from Lodges present:

GRAND OFFICERS.

CROMWELL TUCKER (5).....	M. W. G. Master
HORACE T. DeLONG (55).....	R. W. Deputy G. Master
ALPHONSE ADOLPH BURNAND (51)....	R. W. S. G. Warden
JOSEPH WILLIAM MILSOM (15).....	R. W. J. G. Warden
DARIUS ARTHUR BARTON (87).....	R. W. G. Treasurer
ED. C. PARMELEE (48).....	R. W. G. Secretary
LEOPOLD FREUDENTHAL (28).....	R. W. G. Orator
FRANK G. MIRICK (31).....	R. W. G. Lecturer
GEORGE THOMAS COOPER (5).....	R. W. G. Marshal
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13).....	W. S. G. Deacon
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27).....	W. J. G. Deacon
HERSCHEL MILLARD HOGG (56).....	S. G. Steward

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters.

HENRY MOORE TELLER (6).
 ARCHIBALD J. VAN DEREN (22).
 HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).
 CORNELIUS JOSEPH HART (17).
 ROGER WILLIAMS WOODBURY (86).
 BYRON L. CARR (23).
 LAWRENCE NICHOLS GREENLEAF (5).
 FRANK CHURCH (5).
 ANDREW SAGENDORF (13).
 GEORGE KEITH KIMBALL (1).
 WILLIAM DAVID TODD (7).
 WILLIAM THEOPHILUS BRIDWELL (15).
 ERNEST LeNEVE FOSTER (84).
 JOHN MILLS MAXWELL (51).
 WILLIAM D. WRIGHT (84).
 WILLIAM L. BUSH (26).
 WILLIAM DARLINGTON PEIRCE (7).
 GEORGE WASHINGTON ROE (95).
 HENRY P. H. BROMWELL (5), Honorary.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

ERNEST LeNEVE FOSTER (84).....Alabama
 HENRY TRACY WEST (20).....Arkansas
 JOHN HUMPHREYS (28).....British Columbia
 BYRON L. CARR (23).....Canada
 CHARLES OTTO UNFUG (27).....Cuba
 DARIUS ARTHUR BARTON (87).....Delaware
 WILLIAM D. WRIGHT (84).....District of Columbia
 ROGER WILLIAMS WOODBURY (86).....Florida
 CORNELIUS JOSEPH HART (17).....Georgia
 HENRY MOORE TELLER (6).....Illinois, Minnesota
 HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).....Indiana, West Virginia
 ALPHONSE ADOLPH BURNAND (51).....Indian Territory
 WILLIAM H. SANFORD (7).....Kansas
 WILLIAM DAVID TODD (7).....Louisiana
 ED. C. PARMELEE (48).....Maine, Missouri, Oregon, Vermont
 WILLIAM DARLINGTON PEIRCE (7).....Maryland
 LAWRENCE NICHOLS GREENLEAF (5).....Michigan, N. Mexico
 FRANK CHURCH (5).....Mississippi
 CALVIN E. REED (7).....Nebraska

WILLIAM THEOPHILUS BRIDWELL (15).....	Nevada
HENRY P. H. BROMWELL (5).....	New Brunswick
GEORGE KEITH KIMBALL (1).....	New Hampshire
JOHN MILLS MAXWELL (51).....	New Jersey
CROMWELL TUCKER (5).....	New South Wales
FRANK G. MIRICK (31).....	New York
JOSEPH WILLIAM MILSOM (15).....	North Carolina
HORACE T. DeLONG (55).....	North Dakota
JOHN GREGOR (5).....	Nova Scotia
GEORGE WASHINGTON BOE (95).....	Ohio
ANDREW SAGENDORF (13).....	Quebec
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13).....	Rhode Island
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27).....	South Carolina
WILLIAM L. BUSH (26).....	South Dakota
MARSHALL HENRY DEAN (65).....	Texas
JOHN F. DRESCHER (7).....	Utah
GEORGE THOMAS COOPER (5).....	Virginia
LUTHER H. WYGANT, JR. (86).....	Wisconsin

REPRESENTATIVES FROM LODGES.

Those Present in Capitals.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Golden City No. 1, Golden—	
W. H. Curry.....	W. M. JOSEPH DENNIS, JR.
JOS. DENNIS, JR.....	S. W.
Carlos W. Lake.....	J. W. JOSEPH DENNIS, JR.
Nevada Lodge No. 4, Bald Mountain—	
Ozias T. Sparks.....	W. M. ISAAC M. PARSONS
ISAAC M. PARSONS.....	S. W.
Fred S. Bolsinger.....	J. W. JOHN W. RATLIFF
Denver Lodge No. 5, Denver—	
H. P. STEELE.....	W. M.
F. L. BISHOP.....	S. W.
GEORGE F. DUNKLEE.....	J. W.
Central Lodge No. 6, Central City—	
WM. H. PARENTEAU.....	W. M.
Robert N. Lewis.....	S. W. WM. H. PARENTEAU
Edward S. McWhorter.....	J. W. WM. H. PARENTEAU
Union Lodge No. 7, Denver—	
JOHN B. HUNTER.....	W. M.
Henry P. Forsyth.....	S. W.
CLARKSON N. GUYER.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Black Hawk Lodge No. 11, Black Hawk—	
JAMES P. RICHARDS.....	W. M.
E. I. Grenfell.....	S. W.
W. S. Blaine.....	J. W. ED. C. HUGHES
Washington Lodge No. 12, Georgetown—	
Samuel Hardy.....	W. M. JOHN H. BENNETT
JOHN H. BENNETT.....	S. W.
D. R. Hatch.....	J. W. JOHN H. BENNETT
El Paso Lodge No. 13, Colorado Springs—	
FRANK R. VAN METER.....	W. M.
THOMAS E. MANNING.....	S. W.
ARTHUR W. NEWTON.....	J. W.
Columbia Lodge No. 14, Boulder—	
ALBERT T. HENRY, JR.....	W. M.
J. A. DAVIS.....	S. W.
Fred E. Angove.....	J. W.
Mount Moriah Lodge No. 15, Canon City—	
JOSEPH T. LITTLE.....	W. M.
Arthur R. Frisbie.....	S. W. DANIEL A. BRADBURY
HENRY M. MINGAY.....	J. W.
Pueblo Lodge No. 17, Pueblo—	
William W. Cooper.....	W. M. A. D. WADHAMS
Will D. Grisard.....	S. W. A. D. WADHAMS
Clark E. Lovett.....	J. W. A. D. WADHAMS
Collins Lodge No. 19, Fort Collins—	
T. A. GAGE.....	W. M.
J. M. Hoffman.....	S. W. T. A. GAGE
C. Jarbeau.....	J. W. T. A. GAGE
Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley—	
WM. HALL THOMPSON.....	W. M.
EDWARD M. GALE.....	S. W.
Fred. Norcross.....	J. W. O. M. ABBOTT
Weston Lodge No. 22, Littleton—	
W. H. COBB.....	W. M.
* Deceased.....	S. W.
A. D. McArthur.....	J. W. R. W. CANDLER
St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, Longmont—	
GEO. E. SMITH.....	W. M.
James Wiggins.....	S. W.
Rubin F. Coffin.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Doric Lodge No. 25, Fairplay—	
JACOB ADLER.....	W. M.
C. P. Link.....	S. W.
C. H. Scott.....	J. W.
Idaho Springs Lodge No. 26, Idaho Springs—	
FREDERICK A. MOSS.....	W. M.
George E. Armstrong.....	S. W. FREDERICK A. MOSS
Warren A. Haggott.....	J. W. FREDERICK A. MOSS
Huerfano Lodge No. 27, Walsenburg—	
JAMES R. KILLIAN.....	W. M.
John B. Johnson.....	S. W. CHARLES O. UNFUG
Fred E. Ramsay.....	J. W.
Las Animas Lodge No. 28, Trinidad—	
Edwin B. Franks.....	W. M. JOHN HUMPHREYS
William Crofoot.....	S. W. JOHN HUMPHREYS
Fred J. Cook.....	J. W. JOHN HUMPHREYS
King Solomon Lodge No. 30, Las Animas—	
Frank P. Harbour.....	W. M. HARRY S. WALLS
HARRY S. WALLS.....	S. W.
George Harris.....	J. W.
South Pueblo Lodge No. 31, Pueblo—	
THOMAS THOMPSON.....	W. M.
F. R. Rockwell.....	S. W.
Ed. T. Mulnix.....	J. W.
Olive Branch Lodge No. 32, Saguache—	
GEO. W. KEESEY.....	W. M.
W. A. Johnson.....	S. W.
John Farrington.....	J. W.
San Juan Lodge No. 33, Silverton—	
D. Umbell.....	W. M. A. R. SPRINGER
Richard Jenkins.....	S. W. A. R. SPRINGER
A. R. SPRINGER.....	J. W.
Crystal Lake Lodge No. 34, Lake City—	
WALLACE A. ALLEN.....	W. M.
Jonathan H. Palmer.....	S. W. WALLACE A. ALLEN
Robert McKee.....	J. W. WALLACE A. ALLEN
Ionic Lodge No. 35, Leadville—	
R. A. CRUIKSHANK.....	W. M.
R. D. McLEOD.....	S. W.
J. W. McKean.....	J. W. R. A. CRUIKSHANK
Rosita Lodge No. 36, Rosita—	
James Shanks.....	W. M. CHARLES G. MATTHEWS
August Koppe.....	S. W. CHARLES G. MATTHEWS
James W. Kurts.....	J. W. CHARLES G. MATTHEWS

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Ouray Lodge No. 37, Ouray—	
W. B. ALEXANDER.....	W. M.
L. E. Bradley.....	S. W.....W. B. ALEXANDER
A. Jeffers.....	J. W.....W. B. ALEXANDER
Silver Cliff Lodge No. 38, Silver Cliff—	
Monroe Decker.....	W. M.....JOHN A. FEIST
W. E. Bruce.....	S. W.....JOHN A. FEIST
Thomas Roberts.....	J. W.....JOHN A. FEIST
Gunnison Lodge No. 39, Gunnison—	
OSMER H. AIKINE.....	W. M.
A. M. Thomas.....	S. W.....OSMER H. AIKINE
W. J. Fine.....	J. W.....OSMER H. AIKINE
Pitkin Lodge No. 40, Pitkin—	
JNO. F. CHRYSTAL.....	W. M.
J. C. Nisley.....	S. W.....JOHN F. CHRYSTAL
James F. Chrystal.....	J. W.....JOHN F. CHRYSTAL
Schiller Lodge No. 41, Denver—	
CHAS. J. KNOCH.....	W. M.
Frank Kratzer.....	S. W.
Fritz L. Siebott.....	J. W.
Corinthian Lodge No. 42, Kokomo—	
GUST A. WALLIN.....	W. M.
Herman Otto.....	S. W.
Chas. Nell.....	J. W.
Eagle Lodge No. 43, Red Cliff—	
James Collins.....	W. M.....P. TAGUE
Frank Hughes.....	S. W.
Jas. H. Richards.....	J. W.
Alamosa Lodge No. 44, Alamosa—	
F. W. SWANSON.....	W. M.
A. C. Cole.....	S. W.
George Booth.....	J. W.
Boulder Lodge No. 45, Boulder—	
J. H. CRARY.....	W. M.
WM. GOLDSWORTHY.....	S. W.
S. E. Goldsworthy.....	J. W.....J. P. COFFEY
Durango Lodge No. 46, Durango—	
N. C. Miller.....	W. M.....C. A. LEMMON
C. A. Pike.....	S. W.....C. A. LEMMON
C. A. LEMMON.....	J. W.
Breckenridge Lodge No. 47, Breckenridge—	
C. C. ACTON.....	W. M.
Peter J. Lundby.....	S. W.
A. W. PHILLIPS.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Georgetown Lodge No. 48, Georgetown—	
Charles K. Wolfe.....	W. M.....HUGH K. MILLER
* Deceased.....	S. W.
Henry Seifried.....	J. W.
Mt. Princeton Lodge No. 49, Buena Vista—	
T. I. BRISCOE.....	W. M.
WM. H. MAINE.....	S. W.
O. W. COLE.....	J. W.
Garfield Lodge No. 50, Erie—	
Joseph R. Powell.....	W. M....R. J. VAN VALKENBURG
John T. Wills.....	S. W....R. J. VAN VALKENBURG
John C. Mitchell.....	J. W....R. J. VAN VALKENBURG
Leadville Lodge No. 51, Leadville—	
GEORGE L. NICOLAI.....	W. M.
JOHN L. WRIGHT.....	S. W.
Alexander G. Thomson.....	J. W.....H. W. WOODWARD
Loveland Lodge No. 53, Loveland—	
WILLIS G. BOYD.....	W. M.
John Peterson.....	S. W.....LYMAN PORTER
David James.....	J. W....CHARLES N. RANDALL
Sterling Lodge No. 54, Sterling—	
A. W. WARREN.....	W. M.
W. E. Pears.....	S. W.
L. J. Pereau.....	J. W.
Mesa Lodge No. 55, Grand Junction—	
WILLIAM A. MARSH.....	W. M.
W. I. HAMMOND.....	S. W.
L. F. Ingersoll.....	J. W.
Telluride Lodge No. 56, Telluride—	
GUSTAF BRICKSON.....	W. M.
Grant Snider.....	S. W.....WILLIAM C. SMITH
James S. Osborn.....	J. W.....CHARLES F. PAINTER
Salida Lodge No. 57, Salida—	
A. H. WILSON.....	W. M.
J. W. Old.....	S. W.....A. H. WILSON
J. W. DeWeese.....	J. W.....A. H. WILSON
Crested Butte Lodge No. 58, Crested Butte—	
JOHN ARNOTT.....	W. M.
L. R. Lathrop.....	S. W.
D. H. WILLIAMS.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
La Veta Lodge No. 59, La Veta—	
JOHN DICK.....	W. M.
G. F. Estes.....	S. W.
W. A. Springer.....	J. W.
Spar Lodge No. 60, Aspen—	
CHAS. L. MOORE.....	W. M.
Joseph R. Johns.....	S. W.
Richmond H. Fisher.....	J. W.
Harmony Lodge No. 61, Denver—	
C. S. CARD.....	W. M.
C. D. TITUS.....	S. W.
H. D. SMITH.....	J. W.
Delta Lodge No. 62, Delta.	
W. R. Robertson.....	W. M.
HENRY HAMMOND.....	S. W.
J. H. HALLEY.....	J. W.
Montrose Lodge No. 63, Montrose—	
J. W. OWENS.....	W. M.
A. Johnson.....	S. W.
J. H. Hafer.....	J. W.
Euclid Lodge No. 64, La Junta—	
FRED. W. SABIN.....	W. M.
J. C. TALLAFERRO.....	S. W.
Jno. W. Dean, Jr.....	J. W.
Glenwood Lodge No. 65, Glenwood Springs—	
David W. Rees.....	W. M. MARSHALL H. DEAN
Jas. W. Ross.....	S. W. MARSHALL H. DEAN
W. H. Trumbor.....	J. W. MARSHALL H. DEAN
Eureka Lodge No. 66, Coal Creek—	
WM. MITCHELL.....	W. M.
Robert Milliken.....	S. W. WM. MITCHELL
D. R. Jenkins.....	J. W. RICHARD HUSBAND
Oasis Lodge No. 67, Fort Morgan—	
JAMES H. JONES.....	W. M.
Geo. S. Redfield.....	S. W.
F. J. Dingman.....	J. W.
Manitou Lodge No. 68, Manitou—	
W. D. SAWIN.....	W. M.
H. H. GRAFTON.....	S. W.
Wm. Long.....	J. W. ERNST M. LOTZ
Windsor Lodge No. 69, New Windsor—	
W. E. WILLIAMS.....	W. M.
G. H. Frye.....	S. W.
SCOTT L. GETCHELL.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
Logan Lodge No. 70, Julesburg—	
Chris. Johnson.....	W. M.....GEORGE F. CROSBY
J. V. Anderson.....	S. W.
G. A. OLIVER.....	J. W.
Wray Lodge No. 71, Wray—	
J. D. JORDAN.....	W. M.
J. W. Zepp.....	S. W.
W. C. Grigsby.....	J. W.
Granada Lodge No. 72, Granada—	
D. W. ROBINSON.....	W. M.
J. F. Mendenhall.....	S. W.
J. W. Sullivan.....	J. W.
Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, Monte Vista—	
W. R. Carter.....	W. M.....A. W. HORN
D. H. Hill.....	S. W.
A. W. HORN.....	J. W.
Akron Lodge No. 74, Akron—	
DAVID SHONERD.....	W. M.
John S. Howe.....	S. W.
John G. Hudson.....	J. W.....E. W. CLARK
St. John's Lodge No. 75, Rocky Ford—	
W. B. GOBIN.....	W. M.
T. F. Godding, Jr.....	S. W.
A. C. Comer.....	J. W.
Colorado City Lodge No. 76, Colorado City—	
CHAS. N. SNYDER.....	W. M.
John Neiswinter.....	S. W.....CHARLES N. SNYDER
Isaac A. Winternitz.....	J. W.....CHARLES N. SNYDER
Burlington Lodge No. 77, Burlington—	
D. H. JONES.....	W. M.
E. W. Morgan.....	S. W.....D. H. JONES
J. L. Eaches.....	J. W.....D. H. JONES
Brighton Lodge No. 78, Brighton—	
Not represented.	
Rico Lodge No. 79, Rico—	
Not represented.	
Rio Blanco Lodge No. 80, Meeker—	
S. P. Wear.....	W. M.....JAMES LYTTLE
F. W. Jo Hantgen.....	S. W.
E. E. Fordham.....	J. W.

Name of Lodge.

Proxies.

Holyoke Lodge No. 81, Holyoke—

F. M. Smith.....W. M.
 A. B. FLEMING.....S. W.
 A. T. Guthrie.....J. W.

Carbondale Lodge No. 82, Carbondale—

JAMES W. ZIMMERMAN....W. M.
 Ward Tucker.....S. W.
 Chas. Lehow.....J. W.

Berthoud Lodge No. 83, Berthoud—

C. R. Blackwell.....W. M.
 A. C. Sanderson.....W.
 A. J. SWANSON.....J. W.

Temple Lodge No. 84, Denver—

George Daniel.....W. M.....WILLIAM D. WRIGHT
 GEORGE STIDGER.....S. W.
 HUBERT L. SHATTUCK.....J. W.

Highlands Lodge No. 86, Denver—

EDWIN H. SNYDER.....W. M.
 HARRY PETRIE.....S. W.
 CARSON B. WILSON.....J. W.

Oriental Lodge No. 87, Denver—

FRED. W. PARKS.....W. M.
 JOHN L. DIXON.....S. W.
 John H. Gabriel.....J. W.....GEORGE T. BERRY

Yampa Lodge No. 88, Craig—

E. B. DARNELL.....W. M.
 A. M. Ranney.....S. W.....E. B. DARNELL
 J. E. Downs.....J. W.....E. B. DARNELL

Trinidad Lodge No. 89, Trinidad—

Leo R. Gottlieb.....W. M.....J. J. ABERCROMBIE
 J. J. ABERCROMBIE.....S. W.
 Thos. D. East.....J. W.....J. J. ABERCROMBIE

Lamar Lodge No. 90, Lamar—

W. C. Gould.....W. M.....PERRY McMILLEN
 W. H. Wolff.....S. W.
 PERRY McMILLEN.....J. W.

Lafayette Lodge No. 91, Lafayette—

JOHN B. FISHER.....W. M.
 Wm. Beamond.....S. W.
 H. E. Bocker.....J. W.

Rob Morris Lodge No. 92, Denver—

JAMES HIGSON.....W. M.
 ALBERT L. STACK.....S. W.
 A. FRANK JORDAN.....J. W.

Name of Lodge.	Proxies.
South Denver Lodge No. 93, Denver—	
JOHN C. GRAHAM.....	W. M.
Frank H. Raymond.....	S. W.
JAMES' J. FORD.....	J. W.
Amethyst Lodge No. 94, Amethyst—	
FINLEY FRAZEE.....	W. M.
Jno. A. Atkinson.....	S. W.
Absalom V. Tabor.....	J. W.
Silver State Lodge No. 95, Pueblo—	
J. H. H. LOW.....	W. M.
J. R. STRUGNELL.....	S. W.
George Reynolds.....	J. W.
Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 96, Cripple Creek—	
S. C. STOVER.....	W. M.
J. E. Veak.....	S. W.
Tom A. Smith.....	J. W.
Fremont Lodge No. 97, Florence—	
J. C. McCREERY.....	W. M.
Frank Keller.....	S. W.
David Argall.....	J. W.
Hiram Lodge No. 98, Aspen—	
Frank M. Yates.....	W. M. C. I. GLASSBROOK
C. I. GLASSBROOK.....	S. W.
Robt. G. Withers.....	J. W. C. I. GLASSBROOK
Victor Lodge No. 99, Victor—	
GEO. J. BOCKFINGER.....	W. M.
Harry Hendrie.....	S. W. J. W. JOHNSON
R. W. Scofield.....	J. W.
Mancos Lodge No. 100, Mancos—	
A. T. SAMSON.....	W. M.
H. V. Aushurn.....	S. W.
Louis Paquin.....	J. W.
Plateau Lodge No. 101, Mesa—	
WM. DITMAN.....	W. M.
A. R. Craig.....	S. W.
Geo. W. Masters.....	J. W.
Mt. Lamborn Lodge No. 102, Hotchkiss—	
Newton M. Helstand.....	W. M. PAUL E. KENNEDY
John G. Wilbur.....	S. W. PAUL E. KENNEDY
Charles R. Miller.....	J. W.
Vulcan Lodge No. 103, Hooper—	
Charles N. Kinney.....	W. M.
Wm. M. Asher.....	S. W.
C. R. FOSTER.....	J. W.

Rio Blanco No. 80, and Berthoud No. 83, paid dues this morning, but have not made returns.

The proxy for the W. M. of No. 80, and the J. W. of No. 83, are present.

The Secretaries of these Lodges say they did not receive blanks for making returns. They did not notify the Grand Secretary of that fact in season to have their returns here present.

(These returns were received September 27, 1898.—Grand Secretary.)

VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES.

The Grand Master filled vacancies as follows:

ON JURISPRUDENCE.

WILLIAM T. BRIDWELL (15).

ON CORRESPONDENCE.

GEORGE J. BOCKFINGER (99).

ON FINANCE.

JOHN G. HUNTINGTON (Tyrian U. D.).

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES WELCOMED.

The Representatives of other Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge were called before the East, received with the Grand Honors and cordially welcomed by the Grand Master.

Past Grand Master Woodbury (86) responded.

REGRETS.

A telegram from Past Grand Master James H. Peabody (15), regretting his inability to be present, was read and placed on file.

ADDRESS.

The Grand Master delivered the following:

Brethren of the M. W. Grand Lodge:

It is with a heart overflowing with gratitude to the Almighty Author and Preserver of our existence, for His protecting care during the past year, that I greet you in the bonds of fraternity and brotherly love at the commencement of our Thirty-eighth Annual Communication, and I invoke the blessings of our God upon you and upon your deliberations, with the earnest prayer that the legislation now to be enacted may redound to the great and lasting benefit of this Jurisdiction and to the edification and instruction of the Craft, wheresoever dispersed throughout the world.

We have had many blessings vouchsafed to us during the past year, both fraternal and material, and we should, each one of us, offer up a silent adoration to the Deity, humbly acknowledging our dependence upon Him for all that tends to our enjoyment and comfort, and our grateful appreciation of the mercies so bountifully bestowed upon us, as individuals, and as citizens of this great nation.

As individuals, we have begun to feel the approach of returning prosperity, and with bounteous returns from our mother earth, repeated many fold during the present season, and with increasing developments in every mart of commerce and investment, let us hope that our own members, in unison with all the residents of this great commonwealth, may press forward, with renewed confidence, towards the splendid future which awaits them.

As citizens of this great Republic, we have still greater cause for thankfulness and gratification. During the year the nation has been engaged in a victorious war, having for its avowed object the liberation of a downtrodden and oppressed people, and now that "the soft phrase of peace" has overcome the roar of cannon and the rattle of musketry, let us return our devout thanksgiving to the God of battles for the signal evidences of His approval of our course, and for the especial protection afforded to our gallant sailors and soldiers, among whom were numbered many of our brethren of the mystic tie.

My address will, of necessity, be of considerable length, and I shall therefore confine myself as closely as possible to a résumé of my official acts, with such other mention as I deem of sufficient importance to merit your attention, but before pro-

ceeding with the same let us pause to pay fraternal respect to the memory of those who, since last we met, have been called from their labors here below to join in the everlasting refreshment which has been provided for the enjoyment of every faithful Mason in the Grand Lodge above.

NECROLOGY.

"The silver cord has been loosed, the golden bowl has been broken," and there is a void in the list of our living Past Grand Officers, from which has disappeared forever the name of R. W. Brother John W. Widderfield, Past Deputy Grand Master, who obeyed the summons of his Creator and fell asleep on July 4, 1898.

On July 21, after obtaining all available information regarding his secular and Masonic history, I issued the following tribute to his memory:

THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,
A. F. AND A. M.

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE.

Denver, Colo., July 21, 1898.

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of Lodges owing obedience to this Grand Lodge, and all Grand Lodges in fraternal intercourse:

Brethren—It is with the most profound sorrow that I perform the sad duty of announcing the death of our beloved and Right Worshipful Brother,

JOHN W. WIDDERFIELD,

Past Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, who departed this life, full of years and honors, at his home at Trinidad, Colorado, on the morning of July 4, 1898, after a comparatively brief illness, and on July 6 his remains were deposited in their last resting place with the impressive ceremonies of the Craft, eloquently rendered by Worshipful Brother Sol. H. Jaffa, Past Master of Las Animas Lodge No. 28.

Brother Widderfield was born at Charlotteville, Va., on March 10, 1826, and during his early manhood moved from thence to Palmyra, Mo., at which place he affiliated with Palmyra Lodge No. 18, A. F. and A. M. Later in life he removed to Colorado and located at West Las Animas, Bent county, and in 1876 was elected by that county as a member of the Constitutional Convention which formulated the Constitution of our state. He removed to Trinidad in 1886, which place he made his home until his decease, and where he occupied many public positions of trust and responsibility, having been chairman of the board

of county commissioners of Las Animas county at the time of his death.

His Masonic history prior to his arrival in Colorado we have been unable to obtain, but his subsequent record proves the great esteem by which he was held by the Craftsmen of this Jurisdiction, and it is believed that but for his absence from the communication of the Grand Lodge in 1884, he would, at that time, have been elected Grand Master.

He was a charter member of King Solomon Lodge No. 30, at West Las Animas, Colo., was its first Worshipful Master under the charter, and was elected to the same high office in 1876, 1877 and 1878, representing that Lodge in the Grand Lodge in 1877, 1878 and 1879.

In 1878 he served on Committee on Appeals and Grievances, and was appointed Senior Grand Steward.

In 1879 he served on Committee on Credentials, and was appointed Junior Grand Deacon.

In 1880 was reappointed Junior Grand Deacon, in 1881 was elected Junior Grand Warden, in 1882 Senior Grand Warden, and in 1883 Deputy Grand Master.

He was appointed Grand Representative from Manitoba and from Maryland in 1883.

He dimitted from King Solomon Lodge No. 30 on January 7, 1887, and affiliated with Las Animas Lodge No. 28 on November 19, 1889, retaining his membership in the latter to the time of his death.

In his secular life he enjoyed the implicit confidence of all with whom he came in contact, and his ever-ready sympathy and pecuniary assistance was a benison to the suffering and afflicted.

As a public official he was a model of honesty and fidelity, true to every trust reposed in him and zealous in guarding the interests committed to his care. In the disbursement of official charity he displayed a rare discernment, and, while quick to detect the imposter, he was equally prompt in discovering the wants of the sick and needy and in contributing to their relief.

May the memory of his many virtues continually bloom in our midst, and may the example of his noble character stimulate us in the pursuit of "nobler deeds and higher actions;" then will he not have lived in vain, and we shall thereby be prepared for a joyful reunion with him in the Everlasting Lodge beyond the skies.

As a token of respect to the memory of our departed brother, it is ordered that this memorial be read in every Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction, at the first stated meeting after its receipt; that it be inscribed upon the records of such Lodges, and that the Charter and Great Lights be draped in mourning for the period of one lunar month thereafter.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
Grand Master.

Attest:
ED. C. PARMELEE,
Grand Secretary.

In our Subordinate Lodges, the sound of mourning has been heard, and from the returns made to the Grand Secretary we find that eighty-one of our brethren have been translated to the stupendous Lodge above, there to bask in the glories of a never-ending communication.

From within the confines of our sister Grand Jurisdictions have come forth many sorrowing missives, testifying to the great worth of their departed craftsmen, and to all such we offer our sincere and loving sympathy for the irreparable loss they have sustained in the death of distinguished present and Past Grand Officers.

Arkansas mourns the death of M. W. James M. Harker, Past Grand Master, who departed this life on September 28, 1897.

Alabama is disconsolate because of the death of M. W. Palmer Job Pillans, Past Grand Master, who entered the upper sanctuary on June 22, 1898.

Georgia has felt the chastening rod in the death of R. W. Wm. Abram Love, Past Deputy Grand Master, which occurred on January 22, 1898.

Idaho announces the death of R. W. Charles C. Stephenson, Grand Secretary and chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence, who passed away on February 28, 1898.

Kansas has been sorely afflicted by the death of M. W. Henry C. Cook, Past Grand Master, which occurred on June 12, 1898.

Louisiana has met with an irreparable loss in the death of M. W. John Quincy Adams Fellows, Past Grand Master, who, after almost a lifetime of distinguished labor and devotion to the interests of Masonry in his Jurisdiction, passed into rest on November 28, 1897.

Michigan has lost one of her leading lights in the death of M. W. Daniel Striker, Past Grand Master, which occurred on April 11, 1898.

Montana is in mourning because of the death of M. W. James R. Boyce, Sr., Past Grand Master, who departed this life at the ripened age of nearly eighty-two years, on April 23, 1898. Brother Boyce was a member of Union Lodge No. 7, of this city, during 1863 and 1864, of which he served as Treasurer.

North Dakota reports the death of M. W. William H. Best, Past Grand Master, who passed to the great beyond on May 3, 1898.

Virginia has met with a three-fold bereavement in the deaths of M. W. Brothers William B. Taliaferro, John Paterson Fitzgerald and William Francis Drinkard, Past Grand Masters, each of whom had been eminent in the field, the forum and in

the councils of his Grand Lodge. They respectively ended their earthly labors on February 27, June 10 and July 11, 1898.

During the night of February 15, 1898, an awful and overwhelming catastrophe occurred in the harbor of Havana, Cuba, the tragedy of which, whether accidental or intentional, has never been surpassed by any similar occurrence in the history of the world. I am informed that in the blowing up and destruction of the United States battleship Maine, no less than eighty-three Masons were called into the presence of the Judge Supreme, with scarcely a moment's warning. In the realization of such a stupendous calamity, words fail to express our horror of the deed, and our fraternal sorrow for those who were its victims.

I recommend that suitable pages be set apart in our Proceedings for the dedication to the memory of R. W. Brother Widderfield, the departed brethren of our own Jurisdiction, the beloved dead of other Jurisdictions and our martyred brethren of the Maine.

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE CRAFT.

From personal observation in the Lodges which I have visited and from reports made by my associate Grand Officers, as well as from correspondence had with various Lodges which have not been officially visited, I am led to believe that the fair state of prosperity reported by my immediate predecessor has been fully maintained, and that the prospect for a material advancement in the near future is propitious.

The increase in our membership has been about 220, and this in the face of numerous dismissions of those who have located elsewhere during the stringent times through which we have passed, and the large number of suspensions due to the same cause, I feel to be a subject for our mutual congratulation.

The annual returns have, in most instances, been made promptly, and as they have been fairly satisfactory to our worthy Grand Secretary, no other evidence of their condition can reasonably be required.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

With the single exception of the Grand Lodge of Peru, which is hereinafter referred to, nothing has transpired to disturb the amicable relations heretofore existing between ourselves and sister Grand Jurisdictions, and that difficulty having been removed, I am enabled to report the restoration of harmony, so that at this time we are at peace with the whole Masonic world.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

On account of non-attendance at our Annual Communications, removal from this jurisdiction, expiration of commissions, etc., I, on January 5, 1898, recommended the following named brethren as fit Representatives for the respective Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge:

Arizona—R. W. Brother Andrew Armstrong, in place of Brother John W. Sleeper.

British Columbia—W. Brother John Humphreys, in place of Brother Frank C. Young.

Connecticut—W. Brother Benjamin L. James, in place of M. W. Brother George Wyman.

Delaware—R. W. Brother Darius A. Barton, in place of M. W. Brother George Wyman.

North Carolina—R. W. Brother Joseph W. Milsom, in place of Brother A. L. Lawton.

Nova Scotia—W. Brother John Gregor, in place of R. W. Brother O. A. Whittemore.

Ohio—M. W. Brother George W. Roe, in place of Brother H. N. Banks.

Prince Edwards Island—W. Brother C. F. Middaugh, in place of Brother S. H. Thompson.

Rhode Island—W. Brother George D. Kennedy, in place of Brother J. R. Champion.

South Carolina—W. Brother James R. Killian, in place of Brother C. E. Dickinson.

South Australia—W. Brother William H. Nicholson, in place of Brother George Weaver.

Tasmania—W. Brother Charles J. Knoch, in place of Brother John A. Steele.

Utah—W. Brother John F. Drescher, in place of Brother Charles Newman.

Virginia—R. W. Brother George T. Cooper, in place of Brother L. M. Miller.

Most of the brethren enumerated have received their commissions, but owing to the great distance of some of the Grand Lodges, the appointments of others have not yet arrived.

Upon requests of the M. W. Grand Masters of the following Grand Lodges, commissions have been issued to the brothers named, appointing them as our Representatives:

• Tasmania—Brother James Brickhill, November 24, 1897.

Nevada—Brother David W. Virgin, February 2, 1898.

DECISIONS.

Arising out of a large number of questions submitted to me, many of which have been answered by reference to existing laws, and believing that in the multiplicity of legislation confusion might ensue, I here submit only such decisions as do not appear to be fully covered by prior laws:

1.

A profane who has petitioned a Lodge for initiation, and said Lodge becomes defunct before the petition is acted upon and returns to him the fee, may apply at once to another Lodge having the same territorial jurisdiction as the one first petitioned.

2.

It is not permissible for a Lodge to hold alternate communications in two separate municipalities, even if closely adjacent.

3.

A blind man is not eligible to petition for the degrees in Masonry.

4.

A man who has lost the last three fingers and the first joint of the index finger of the left hand, is not eligible to be made a Mason.

5.

Written notice to each member of a Lodge, of time of a Masonic trial, is sufficient under ordinary circumstances. If extraordinary complications exist, or arise during progress of trial, the Worshipful Master should use his judgment as to issue of summons.

6.

Personal service of summons should be made on all resident members. If the attendance of members living at a distance is necessary, service by mail, to last known address, is sufficient.

7.

If use of the mails is necessary for service of charges, [#] or other notices, on an accused brother, the letter or package should be registered.

8.

If an accused brother pleads guilty, such evidence as can be obtained to prove the extent of his offense should be submitted to the Lodge, so that the members may use due judgment in determining the proper degree of punishment to be inflicted.

9.

There is nothing in our laws which would prevent a Lodge from sub-renting a hall from the Knights of Pythias, if desirable to do so, provided the location is a proper one and the hall is in every way suitable.

10.

A Lodge should not admit any visitor without due examination, except upon the voucher direct, or through another brother, of a brother who has sat in a Lodge with, or has properly examined him and knows him to be in good standing. The voucher of a brother who may have met him in the Consistory, Commandery, Council or Chapter, and has no other knowledge of his standing in the Lodge, is not lawful information.

11.

It is not proper for a Lodge, at a regular communication, to close on the Third Degree and resume labor on one of the preceding degrees. The closing on the Third Degree should not be done until the entire business and work of the evening is completed.

12.

It is not permissible for officers to wear their jewels of office and the members to wear their aprons at a public entertainment given by their Lodge.

13.

It would not be proper for a Lodge to join in presenting a petition to the senate of the United States, or to take part in national, state or municipal affairs.

14.

It is necessary for a Lodge to ballot on every petition for initiation, no matter what the report of the committee may be. Applications of rejected candidates and the findings of the committee should not, under any circumstances, be surrendered to the applicant, such documents being the sole property of the Lodge.

15.

Grand Lodge By-Law No. 125, and the decisions thereunder, expressly provide that no person engaged in, or profiting by, the sale of intoxicating liquors, can be admitted to membership, either by petition for the degrees or for affiliation; hence the petition of a stockholder of a corporation engaged, either wholly or partially, in such prohibited business, can not be entertained, nor can the petition of an employé of such corporation, provided he sells or handles liquors for his employers, be received. In the case of an employé of a corporation partially engaged in the traffic, who neither handles nor sells liquors for his employers and agrees not to do so in the future, his petition may be accepted.

16.

Question—A Mason, hailing from the Grand Orient of Italy, whose Lodge is now extinct, presents a diploma and certificate of the Grand Secretary, setting forth that the Lodge is defunct and that the brother was a member thereof. Are those documents sufficient to accompany a petition for membership in this Jurisdiction?

After giving the matter prolonged and careful consideration and inquiry, and bearing in mind the action taken by this Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication in regard to the admittance or affiliation of a Mason hailing from or made in any Lodge chartered by the Grand Dieta of Mexico, I decided:

Answer—That the credentials submitted are not sufficient for the purpose indicated, owing to the fact that reciprocal relations have not been established between the "Grand Oriente della Massoneria Italia" and the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

DECISION REFUSED.

The following question was submitted by one of our Lodges: Is it a violation of Masonic law for a Mason to be a candidate on a high license ticket in a town election?

After making diligent inquiry regarding the necessity of a decision upon this subject, and being informed that a political campaign was in progress, in which a ruling would be used detrimentally, I felt constrained to make the following reply:

The question, *apparently*, has been raised at this time, more for the purpose of affecting a political issue at your place than for the good of the Craft in general, and for this reason I must decline to formulate a decision.

DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW LODGES.

After prolonged and mature consideration, I, on December 16, 1897, issued a dispensation to forty Master Masons at Colorado Springs, El Paso county, Colo., to form and open a Lodge to be known under the name of "Tejon Lodge, U. D.," with Brother William W. Williamson as Worshipful Master, Brother Horace H. Mitchell as Senior Warden, and Brother Charles H. Dudley as Junior Warden. In view of the circumstances connected with the annulment of the Charter of Acacia Lodge No. 85, I paid a visit to Colorado Springs on November 26, 1897, for the purpose of meeting the proposed members, the majority of whom were members of said Acacia Lodge, and of satisfying myself that the interests of the Craft would or would not be best served by the formation of a new Lodge at that place. I also conferred with the officers and members of El Paso Lodge No. 13, and called for a free expression of their opinion as to the advisability of granting a dispensation to the petitioners, and was assured, without exception, that they believed such action would be beneficial; that they considered the brethren to be good and true Masons, and that their Lodge would render every assistance in building up and strengthening the new Lodge, if formed. Since the issue of dispensation I have inspected the work of the Lodge and have given the officers and members such admonition and advice as I thought would prepare and fit them for a place among the chartered Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction.

On May 10, 1898, I issued a dispensation to thirty-six Master Masons at Del Norte, Rio Grande county, Colo., to form and open a Lodge to be known as "Tyrian Lodge, U. D.," with Brother John G. Huntington as Worshipful Master, Brother Edward R. Hoyt as Senior Warden and Brother Roy Campbell as Junior Warden. The majority of the petitioners for this dispensation were members of Del Norte Lodge No. 29, the Charter of which was cancelled at our last Annual Communication for violation of its obligations to this Grand Lodge, and for that reason it was only after the most anxious thought and much correspondence that I decided to comply with their desires. Whilst at Del Norte on October 20 and 21, 1897, it was brought to my notice that a number of the brethren were anxious to have a new Lodge formed, and it was my pleasure to meet most of them and listen to their appeals for a favorable consideration of their petition when presented. I found them to be men of the highest standing in their community, that they deeply deplored the unfortunate and contumacious position in which they had been placed by

their old Lodge, and that they desired an opportunity of proving their fealty to the Constitution, laws and edicts of this Grand Lodge. They also promised to promptly eradicate all inharmonious tendencies, and to use all proper efforts to maintain a healthy, prosperous and loyal Lodge.

I have not had the opportunity to visit this Lodge, but have been informed, by those who have had that privilege, that the members are doing good work and exemplifying in their daily lives the beneficent principles of our institution.

I am informed that the foregoing Lodges have performed the requisite amount of labor to prove their ability to operate and maintain a properly organized Lodge, and that each of them will present a petition to this Grand Body for a Charter.

On July 29, 1898, I issued my dispensation to ten Master Masons at Yampa, Routt county, Colo., to form and open a Lodge, to be known under the name of "Egeria Lodge, U. D.," with Brother William J. Breckel as Worshipful Master, Brother Ervin D. Eaton as Senior Warden, and Brother Douglas D. Lees as Junior Warden. This Lodge has not had sufficient time to perform all the work necessary to enable it to apply for a Charter, and I would therefore recommend that its dispensation be continued until our next Annual Communication.

On August 25, 1898, I received a petition from nine brethren at Ward, Boulder county, praying that a dispensation be issued, authorizing them to form a new Lodge at that place. I have had some correspondence relative to the advisability of complying with their petition, but the same not being complete, I beg to submit herewith all papers in the case for further action by my successor.

OTHER DISPENSATIONS.

November 22, 1897, to Oriental Lodge No. 87, to examine a brother in the Second Degree, to ballot upon his petition for advancement, and if elected, to confer the Third Degree at a special communication.

December 7, 1897, to Idaho Springs Lodge No. 26, to attend divine service on Sabbath evening, December 26, 1897.

December 8, 1897, to Loveland Lodge No. 53, to attend divine service on Sabbath day, December 26, 1897.

December 15, 1897, to Amethyst Lodge No. 94, authorizing them to elect a Secretary at their regular communication of December 18, 1897, the brother elected on December 4 having refused to be installed.

December 17, 1897, to Weston Lodge No. 22, authorizing them to ballot for and elect a Junior Warden and Secretary at their regular communication of December 18, 1897, the brethren elected to those respective offices on December 4 having refused to be installed.

December 21, 1897, to Crystal Lake Lodge No. 23, to hold a public installation of its officers elect on the evening of the festival of St. John the Evangelist, Monday, December 27, 1897.

January 21, 1898, to Yampa Lodge No. 88, to examine two brothers upon the Second Degree, to ballot upon their petitions for advancement, and if elected, to confer upon them the Third Degree at a special communication to be holden on Tuesday evening, February 8.

March 28, 1898, to Yampa Lodge No. 88, empowering them to elect and install a Senior Warden at their regular communication of April 4, 1898, the reason therefor being that the brother who had been regularly elected to fill that station had refused to be installed.

April 18, 1898, I issued a dispensation to Occidental Lodge No. 20, authorizing them to examine a brother in the Second Degree, to ballot upon his petition for advancement, and if elected to confer upon him the Third Degree at a special communication. The request for this dispensation set forth that the brother in question was a member of the Colorado National Guard, and might be ordered to the front before their next regular meeting. However, it was not found necessary to make use of the document, and the brother was examined and advanced in the regular course.

June 16, 1898, to Mount Moriah Lodge No. 15, empowering them to ballot upon a petition for affiliation on the night of its reception, the reason for such action being that the brother, who had just received his dimit from Alabama, was sick unto death, and in all probability would not live to be admitted to membership, should his petition take the regular course.

June 22, 1898, to Olive Branch Lodge No. 32, to appear in public on St. John's Day, June 24, 1898. On this occasion the San Luis Valley Masonic Association held its annual meeting at Saguache, and the members and visitors marched from the Masonic hall to the court house, and after taking part in the service returned to their hall and completed the business of the association.

August 6, 1898, to Ionic Lodge No. 35, permitting them to attend divine service on Sabbath evening, August 14.

All of these have been returned to me with proper reports covering the action had thereunder.

I refused to grant permission for some of our Lodges to appear in public on Decoration Day and on July 4.

COMMISSIONS.

On November 8, 1897, I appointed a commission consisting of Most Worshipful Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf, as chairman, and Worshipful Brothers Calvin E. Reed and Harry A. Woodworth, to gather testimony and report their findings and recommendations in the case of Del Norte Lodge No. 29 vs. Brother J. O. Chase, who was a member of that Lodge at the time its Charter was revoked and cancelled, and standing under charges of having obtained membership therein through deceit and misrepresentation. On January 10, 1898, this commission made its report, embodying a large amount of testimony, and after careful consideration of the same I concluded not to make a decision, but to submit all the papers in the case for the more mature judgment of this Grand Body, which I now do.

On January 8, 1898, I commissioned Right Worshipful Brother George T. Cooper, of Creede, as my Special Deputy to visit Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, with power to use all proper efforts to restore peace and harmony among its members, it having been brought to my knowledge that certain dissensions existed, which were not conducive to the general good of the Craft, nor of themselves in particular, and on January 13 he made report of his action under the commission, which, although not entirely successful at the time, has, I am informed, resulted in lasting benefit to that Lodge.

On February 22, 1898, I appointed a commission consisting of Worshipful Brother James H. Baxter, Alden Bassett and John G. Huntington, to inquire into the standing and character of Brother Robert C. Nisbet, who on March 21, 1896, was suspended by Del Norte Lodge No. 29 for non-payment of dues. The commission, after making due inquiry, unanimously recommended that the said brother be reinstated to all the rights and benefits of Masonry, whereupon I, on March 31, 1898, issued the following

EDICT OF REINSTATEMENT:

Whereas, Del Norte Lodge No. 29, A. F. and A. M., did on the 21st day of March, A. D. 1896, suspend Brother Robert C. Nisbet from all the rights and benefits of Masonry for non-payment of dues; and

Whereas, The said Lodge is now defunct, its Charter having been annulled by this Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication on September 21, A. D. 1897; and

Whereas, The said brother did on the 21st day of February, 1898, pay to R. W. Brother Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary, the sum of thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50), that being the amount charged to him for dues up to the date of his suspension, as shown by the books of said Lodge, and did then make petition for reinstatement to good standing in the fraternity; and

Whereas, The petition of the said brother has been referred to a commission consisting of three brethren who were members of said Lodge, and who find him to be worthy of reinstatement; now,

Therefore, be it known, That I, Cromwell Tucker, under and by virtue of the authority in me vested as Grand Master of Masons in Colorado, do issue this my edict, reinstating the said brother, Robert C. Nisbet, to good standing in the fraternity of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Brother Ed. C. Parmelee, is hereby authorized and directed to issue certificate accordingly in the manner provided by section No. 87 of our By-Laws.

Given under my hand and private seal at Denver, Colorado, this thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1898, A. L. 5898.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
Grand Master.

APPOINTMENTS.

On September 30, 1897, I appointed Worshipful Brother John G. Huntington, of Del Norte, as agent of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of collecting all moneys due for rental of our property at that place, and for renting of same when vacant, with such authority as might be necessary for a general supervision of our interests therein and with instructions to make reports and remittances to the Grand Secretary monthly.

I reappointed Brother S. D. Carleton as agent in charge of our property at Alamosa, with the same general authority as heretofore, excepting that I instructed him to make monthly reports and remittances to the Grand Secretary, instead of annually, as in the past.

I also reappointed Brother W. W. Roof as agent in care of our property at Tin Cup. There is no regular revenue from the building at that place, and remittances are made as opportunities for rental of the hall occur.

On June 2, 1898, I appointed Most Worshipful Brother Harper M. Orahoad as my Special Representative to attend the annual meeting of the Clear Creek Valley Masonic Association,

to be held at Central City on St. John's Day, June 24, which duty he performed in a very able manner.

On June 10, 1898, I appointed Most Worshipful Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf as my Special Representative to attend the annual meeting of the San Luis Valley Masonic Association, to be held at Saguache, on the festival of St. John the Baptist, June 24, which duty he performed in a manner entirely satisfactory to the large gathering on that occasion.

On June 18, 1898, I appointed Right Worshipful Brother Horace T. DeLong, Deputy Grand Master, to attend the annual meeting of the San Juan Masonic Association, to be held at Lake City on St. John's Day, June 24, but owing to press of secular duties he was unable to do so, and the time being so short, I could not arrange for the Grand Lodge to be represented.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

September 30, 1897, amendment to By-Laws of Amethyst Lodge No. 94, reducing the number of stated meetings.

October 6, 1897, amendment to By-Laws of Durango Lodge No. 46, changing the amount of their annual dues.

January 3, 1898, a complete code of By-Laws for Idaho Springs Lodge No. 46.

January 5, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Black Hawk Lodge No. 11, providing for a Board of Trustees consisting of three members, defining their duties and the manner of their election.

January 10, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Ionic Lodge No. 35, increasing the remuneration of their Tiler.

January 12, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Hiram Lodge No. 98, providing punishment for violating the secrecy of the ballot.

February 10, 1898, full set of By-Laws for El Paso Lodge No. 13.

February 22, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Montrose Lodge No. 63, reducing their annual dues.

March 10, 1898, a complete code for Colorado City Lodge No. 76.

March 14, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of La Veta Lodge No. 50, providing that a rejected petitioner for the degrees shall not reapply until after the expiration of one year.

March 20, 1898, a complete set for Glenwood Lodge No. 65.

April 18, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Highlands Lodge No. 86, reducing their quarterly dues.

April 23, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Durango Lodge No. 46, providing for the appointment, annually, of a Trustee, who shall have charge of the sale of lots in the Masonic burial ground, and providing for the formation of a cemetery fund, and the manner in which the moneys belonging to said fund are to be used or loaned.

May 19, 1898, amendment to By-Laws of Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, reducing the fees for the degrees from \$50 to \$35.

July 8, 1898, a complete code for Victor Lodge No. 99.

July 11, 1898, a full set for Crystal Lake Lodge No. 34.

BY-LAWS NOT APPROVED.

November 30, 1897, I received a full code from Columbia Lodge No. 14, one section of which provided for the payment of a stated salary to their Secretary, and this being in conflict with Grand Lodge By-Law No. 30, I returned the By-Laws to them, requesting the adoption of an amended section in accord with our laws. I also suggested that for the sake of uniformity they should provide for the appointment of their Tiler by the Worshipful Master, instead of for his election by ballot. The proposed By-Laws have not been resubmitted to me.

MISCELLANEOUS.

On October 9, 1897, I received from the Grand Secretary some correspondence in relation to an unfortunate controversy which had existed for some time between one of our Lodges, and one of the Lodges of New Mexico.

The controversy related to the expenditure of a considerable sum of money by the Colorado Lodge in taking care of a sick member of the New Mexico Lodge. After procuring such evidence in the case as could be obtained, I submitted the same to M. W. Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf, Grand Representative of New Mexico, with request that he transmit it to the M. W. Grand Master of that Jurisdiction, for such action as he might consider necessary. After the lapse of several months the New Mexico Lodge made a proposition of settlement, which was duly accepted, and the matter has therefore been satisfactorily adjusted.

I beg to return my sincere thanks to M. W. Brother Greenleaf and to M. W. Brother John W. Poe, Grand Master of New Mexico, for the fraternal courtesy they have displayed in the negotiations connected with this matter.

On March 31, 1898, I received notice from the Grand Secretary that Harmony Lodge No. 61 had expelled one of its members for non-payment of dues, and on the same date I informed said Lodge that as its action was in direct conflict with Grand Lodge By-Law No. 115, it was null and void, and directed that new charges be preferred, if it was desired to carry the matter further.

On April 8, 1898, in conjunction with the Grand Secretary, I prepared and forwarded the following letter of congratulation to Worshipful Brother Adna A. Treat, upon the attainment of the one hundred and first anniversary of his birth, the token accompanying it being a basket of flowers:

Hon. Adna Adams Treat, Denver, Colorado:

Worshipful Sir and Venerable Brother—The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado, A. F. and A. M., by its Grand Master and Grand Secretary, desires to tender its sincere and fraternal congratulations upon the attainment by you of the one hundred and first anniversary of your birth, and hopes that the accompanying token of its regard may tend to cheer and brighten the auspicious event.

It is not given to the lot of many to attain to such an extreme age, and to a still less number to have preserved their faculties to the extent that you retain yours, and we rejoice with you, that the Supreme Grand Master, whom we recognize as the Giver of all good, has spared your life as a living example of the upright man and Mason, an example showing the benefits which accrue to those who practice our precepts and teachings.

It is our earnest prayer that you may have the pleasure of celebrating many more anniversaries of your birth, and that when you are called from your labors here on earth it may be your portion to hear from Him who sitteth as the Judge Supreme the welcome words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Yours fraternally,

(Signed)
(Seal)

CROMWELL TUCKER,
Grand Master.

ED. C. PARMELEE,
Grand Secretary.

The following acknowledgment, in the handwriting of the venerable brother, was afterwards received:

Denver, Colo., June 2, 1898.

Mr. E. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary, M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Dear Sir—Your very kind letter of April 8th, and the box of roses in remembrance of my one hundred and first birthday, have been received and greatly appreciated. I regret on account

of severe illness I have been unable to respond at an earlier date, but am now convalescing. Heartily thanking you and the brotherhood for the many expressions of kindness to me,

Remaining fraternally yours,

ADNA ADAMS TREAT.

On June 17, 1898, Mr. Crissey called upon me in relation to his note of twenty-five hundred dollars held by the Grand Lodge, which would become due early in July, and stated that he would not be able to pay when it matured. He requested more time, and after consideration, and believing that the security would not depreciate, I granted an extension of three months at 8 per cent., instead of 6 per cent., as paid heretofore, and notified the Grand Treasurer and the chairman of the Finance Committee accordingly. As we are paying 10 per cent. on the amount we are carrying on our property at Alamosa, I would recommend that, if possible, the Crissey note be collected when due, and that the amount be applied towards the payment of our indebtedness on the Alamosa building.

On July 25, 1898, I directed the W. M. of Crested Butte Lodge No. 58 to suspend from office the Secretary of that Lodge, because of gross inattention to his duties, failure to send receipts to members living at a distance who had forwarded their dues by mail, and lack of fraternal and business courtesy in not answering communications from the Grand Secretary, officers of other Lodges and members of his own Lodge. This order has been duly complied with.

On August 25, 1898, I received a summons from a firm of attorneys at Colorado Springs, citing the Grand Lodge to appear and make answer on or before October 1, 1898, in the matter of the estate of Brother Charles Adams, deceased, now pending in the county court of El Paso county, Colorado.

In the will of Brother Adams a provisional bequest was made to the Grand Masonic bodies of this state, conditioned upon the acceptance by his widow, within sixty days of his decease, of a certain method of disposition of his property. She, however, elected to accept an entirely different method, and therefore, after consultation with M. W. Brother Harper M. Orahoad, it was concluded that we had no interest whatever in the estate, and I accepted service of the summons on August 31.

All papers in this case, including a copy of the will, are herewith submitted, and I would recommend that if, after reference to the proper committee, it is deemed advisable to carry the matter further, it be referred to the incoming Grand Master, for the necessary attention.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS OF GRAND LODGE.

Being myself unable to attend to perform the duties incident thereto, I, on October 1, 1897, commissioned Right Worshipful Brother Horace T. DeLong, Deputy Grand Master, as my special representative, to convene the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in special communication, at Hotchkiss, Delta county, for the purpose of constituting, solemnly consecrating and dedicating Mount Lamborn Lodge No. 102, which duty he performed on October 15, 1897, and made due returns to myself and to the Grand Secretary.

On October 19, 1897, at 8 o'clock p. m., I opened, in Ample Form, a special communication of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge at Hooper, Costilla county, for the purpose of solemnly constituting, consecrating and dedicating Vulcan Lodge No. 103, at which time I received valuable assistance at the hands of visiting delegations from Mosca, Alamosa, Monte Vista, Del Norte and Creede, and upon my return filed a full report of the same with the Grand Secretary, together with a list of the officers installed.

On July 4, 1898, I commissioned Right Worshipful Brother Leopold Freudenthal, Grand Orator, as my special deputy, to convene this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in special communication, at Trinidad, for the purpose of conferring Masonic burial upon the remains of Right Worshipful Brother J. W. Widderfield, Past Deputy Grand Master; which duty he performed on July 6, 1898, and made proper report thereof.

On July 11, 1898, I received from Carbondale Lodge No. 82 a request for the Grand Lodge to lay the corner stone of the Methodist Episcopal church at Carbondale on Saturday, July 16, 1898. Owing to the very limited notice, I found myself unable to arrange for performing the ceremony in person. Therefore, on the date first mentioned, I issued my commission to Worshipful Brother Marshall H. Dean, of Glenwood Springs, deputizing him to convene this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in special communication at Carbondale, on Saturday, June 16, 1898, and to lay the corner stone of the said church, in due and ancient form, which duty he faithfully performed, and made due returns thereof.

CHANGE OF PLACE OF MEETING.

On January 4, 1898, I granted permission to Durango Lodge No. 46 to change its place of meeting from the location then occupied, to the second story of the building located on lot No. 7, block No. 50, in the city of Durango.

On February 17, 1898, I gave authority to Vulcan Lodge No. 103 to remove from the premises then occupied to the second story of the building located on lot No. 20, block No. 14, original town of Garrison, now Hooper.

VISITATIONS.

On November 20, 1897, I made my first official visitation to my mother Lodge, Denver Lodge No. 5, and with other Grand Officers in attendance, was received with the most fraternal consideration and respect. No work.

On November 26, 1897, El Paso Lodge No. 13, at Colorado Springs. No work.

On December 1, 1897, Oriental Lodge No. 87, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On December 4, 1897, Denver Lodge No. 5, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On December 10, 1897, Schiller Lodge No. 41, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On December 11, 1897, Union Lodge No. 7, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On December 17, 1897, Highlands Lodge No. 86, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On December 21, 1897, Rob Morris Lodge No. 82, at Denver, and installed its officers.

On February 12, 1898, Lafayette Lodge No. 91, at Lafayette. Work in Third Degree.

On March 12, 1898, Columbia Lodge No. 14, and Boulder Lodge No. 45, at Boulder. Joint communication, with work in Third Degree.

On April 27, 1898, Pueblo Lodge No. 17, at Pueblo, it being the thirtieth anniversary of its formation. On this occasion I was accompanied by the Deputy Grand Master, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Secretary, Grand Orator and Grand Lecturer. The large gathering of members and visitors and the lavish hospitality of the Lodge will long be remembered by those who participated. Work in the Third Degree.

On April 28, 1898, Silver State Lodge No. 95, at Pueblo, in company with all the Grand Officers mentioned in the preceding visitation. Work in Second Degree.

On May 27, 1898, Occidental Lodge No. 20, at Greeley. Work in Third Degree.

On June 1, 1898, Oriental Lodge No. 87, at Denver. Work in Second Degree.

On June 4, 1898, Mount Moriah Lodge No. 15, at Cañon City. Work in Third Degree. I can not refrain from mentioning this Lodge as the most perfect that I have visited, not only in the manner in which its business and work is conducted, but also in the observance of true Masonic discipline by its members.

On July 5, 1898, South Denver Lodge No. 93, at Denver. Work in Third Degree.

On July 6, 1898, Tejon Lodge U. D., at Colorado Springs. Work in Third Degree.

On August 19, 1898, El Paso Lodge No. 13, at Colorado Springs, at which time the brethren entertained, in the most hospitable manner and under special invitation, a visiting delegation of twenty-five members of Mount Moriah Lodge No. 15. Work in Third Degree, and after refreshments were served the remainder of the evening and a part of the following morning was enjoyed in social intercourse, largely added to by the fine singing of R. W. Brother N. M. Washer, Junior Grand Warden of Texas, who was accompanied by Brother E. V. McIntyre, of St. Louis.

On September 3, 1898, St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, at Longmont. Work in Third Degree.

On September 7, 1898, Idaho Springs Lodge No. 26, at Idaho Springs. Work in Third Degree.

On May 19, finding that I should not be able to visit as many of the Lodges I had expected, I requested the Deputy Grand Master, Senior and Junior Grand Wardens to make visitations in their immediate localities, and I here beg to acknowledge my sincere obligations for the prompt and cheerful manner in which they acceded to such request.

The R. W. Deputy Grand Master reports that on July 11 he visited Mesa Lodge No. 55, at Grand Junction, at which time visiting delegations from Delta Lodge No. 62, Montrose Lodge No. 63 and Plateau Lodge No. 101 were present by invitation. Work in Third Degree very satisfactorily exemplified by Delta Lodge No. 62.

On August 2, 1898, he visited Montrose Lodge No. 63, and witnessed the conferring of the Second Degree in a highly creditable manner.

The R. W. Senior Grand Warden makes report that on June 17, 1898, he visited Leadville Lodge No. 51, at which time the Third Degree was conferred in a most impressive manner.

On June 21, 1898, he visited Corinthian Lodge No. 42, and

there being no work, the evening was spent in social intercourse and instruction of the brethren.

On July 14, 1898, he met with the brethren of Mount Princeton Lodge No. 49 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree, which was most efficiently performed.

On July 16, 1898, he had the pleasure of visiting Breckenridge Lodge No. 47, and although there was no work, a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent.

On July 28, 1898, he visited Ionic Lodge No. 35, at which time the Second Degree was conferred in a highly creditable manner.

On August 6, 1898, he spent a most enjoyable evening with Doric Lodge No. 25, there having been no work on that occasion.

He also endeavored to arrange for a visitation to Eagle Lodge No. 43, but owing to the members being scattered, he was unable to accomplish that purpose.

The R. W. Junior Grand Warden advises that upon making inquiry, he learned that the Grand Lecturer had thoroughly covered his territory, and he therefore made no official visits.

I understand that the R. W. Grand Lecturer has made about thirty-five visitations, a detailed statement of which will doubtless be found in his report.

The fraternal intercourse with the brethren of the different Lodges visited, and the hospitality displayed by them, has been of the most enjoyable character, and will never be effaced from my memory. To one and all I tender my warmest and most sincere thanks.

When I have had the time during my visitations, I have made it a practice to call upon the sick and afflicted, and this is a custom which, I believe, might with advantage be perpetuated. No one could witness the brightening of the countenances of the sick brethren and hear their glad acknowledgment of the fraternal courtesy without being deeply impressed with the conviction that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

DONATION AND BEGGING CIRCULARS.

During the month of February I was informed that various appeals for subscriptions and donations were being circulated among our Subordinate Lodges, without proper authority, and I therefore caused a special notice to be included in the Grand Secretary's official circular for the month of February, which was issued on March 1, 1898, as follows:

"It having come to the notice of the M. W. Grand Master that certain circulars and prospectuses, requesting donations for various objects, are being distributed throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, without his sanction, you are hereby notified that such requests are irregular and that no action should be taken thereon."

Some of these appeals for the exercise of Masonic charity were worthy in their object, but appeared to be ill timed and not of proper origin, while others were not entitled to serious consideration.

Believing that our charities of this character should be correctly systematized, I would recommend that hereafter, when such matters are of sufficient merit to warrant an appeal to our Subordinate Lodges, the issue of the same, after approval by the Grand Master, be by the Grand Secretary, and that all subscriptions thereunder be forwarded to the last named officer, who, after making a proper record, will transmit them to their ultimate destination.

OFFICIAL BONDS.

On October 14, 1897, I received from the Grand Secretary continuation certificates Nos. 7818 and 7819, of The Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, extending their guarantee bonds Nos. 65,708 and 65,709 in behalf of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for five thousand dollars (\$5,000) each, to the first day of October, 1898, and approved the same, in obedience to the requirements of our Constitution.

DEL NORTE LODGE NO. 29.

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, adopted at our last Annual Communication, I, as soon as practicable thereafter, proceeded to Del Norte, and on October 21, 1897, took charge of the effects of the late Del Norte Lodge No. 29, including its Charter, balance of Lodge funds, deeds, books and papers, all of which, with the exception of the deeds, are now in the possession of the Grand Secretary. The furniture, ornaments, lights and jewels of the Lodge I left in charge of W. Brother J. G. Huntington, and they are now being used by Tyrlian Lodge U. D.

I found that the Lodge had notes outstanding to the amount of \$702.00. These notes were issued on January 26, 1895, are pay-

able in ten years from that date, and draw interest at 5 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. A few of the notes have been accepted during the year in payment of amounts due to the Grand Lodge, and have been cancelled. The balance now outstanding is six hundred and fifty-two dollars.

There seems to be some doubt in the minds of the holders of the notes as to whether this Grand Lodge will assume responsibility for their payment, and I would recommend that suitable acknowledgment of the indebtedness be entered of record and printed in the Proceedings of this communication, and that provision be made for the payment of the same at maturity, or sooner, if so desired, and that the interest, when due, be paid by the Grand Secretary on presentation of the notes for endorsement of such payment thereon.

PROPERTY AT ALAMOSA.

This property is in fair physical condition, and I am pleased to report that all back taxes and those collectible during the present year have been paid. The insurance on the building has been renewed in the sum of \$6,000 as heretofore, one policy for \$3,250 being in the possession of the holder of the mortgage, and one for \$2,750 being held by the Grand Secretary. All expenses in connection with the operation and management have been paid, and as during the past year the agent has succeeded in getting the postoffice located in the building, I hope and expect that some increase in the revenue will result therefrom. You are respectfully referred to the report of the Grand Secretary for a statement of receipts and disbursements.

In obedience to the authority given at our last Annual Communication, a payment of \$1,000 has been made on the principal indebtedness standing against this property, and the interest on the remaining balance of \$3,500 has been paid when due. I regret that I have not been successful in my endeavors to secure a new and longer loan at a lower rate of interest, and the old loan has therefore been renewed, without final limit, at the same rate of interest as heretofore, viz., 10 per cent.

I would recommend that the indebtedness be paid as rapidly as the finances of the Grand Lodge will permit.

PROPERTY AT DEL NORTE.

At our last Annual Communication it was reported that the back taxes amounted to over \$1,000, and I was authorized to pay the same.

Upon my arrival at Del Norte, on October 20, 1897, I found that the amount due, including penalties, was over \$1,600, and that a sale certificate for the taxes payable in 1895 had been issued. I at once took steps to obtain possession of the same, which was accomplished by payment of \$475.42. Subsequently, and in order to prevent the issue of a tax certificate of a later date than the one I had purchased, the taxes due in 1896, amounting to \$331.18, were paid, and finally, after presenting a petition to the commissioners of Rio Grande county, the balance of about \$800 was compromised by payment of \$194.48 and fees of clerk and treasurer, amounting to about \$2. Thus it will be seen that the total arrearage of over \$1,600 has been liquidated by payment of about \$1,003.

I found the building to be in reasonably good condition and believe that, with the repairs which have since been made, it will not be necessary to spend much money upon it during the next two years. The rentals amount to about \$50 per month and can not be materially increased. The report of the Grand Secretary will contain a statement of receipts and expenditures.

The recorded title to this property still stands in the name of Del Norte Lodge No. 29, A. F. and A. M., with a trust deed in favor of the Grand Lodge for \$4,200. I have found a difference of opinion as to the most proper method of transferring the title to this Grand Lodge, some advising that the trust deed be foreclosed, and others that a title be obtained by virtue of the tax sale certificate herein referred to, which, for that reason, I have not had cancelled.

I also find that the said Del Norte Lodge No. 29 held the title to twenty-four lots in the cemetery of Del Norte, less a few lots and parts of lots which had been disposed of prior to the revocation of its Charter.

The deeds to all this property I submit herewith, with the recommendation that a special committee of three of our legal brethren be appointed, to act in conjunction with the incoming Grand Master, to perfect our title and have the necessary documents placed on record.

And in this connection, I desire to offer my grateful acknowledgments to Worshipful Brothers J. H. Baxter and J. G. Hunt-

ington, for their ready response to all my requests for information regarding this matter, and for the able assistance which they have rendered.

PROPERTY AT TIN CUP.

I have nothing of interest to report in connection with this property. The income, though small, has been sufficient to pay the expenses in connection therewith.

GRAND LODGE OF PERU.

On January 1, 1898, I first received official information concerning the action taken by the Grand Lodge of Peru, which, by an approved decree of its Grand Master, dated June 13, 1897, ordered the removal of the Holy Bible from its altar and the altars of its Subordinate Lodges, and the substitution therefor of the Book of Constitutions, and thereby violated an Ancient Landmark, placing both itself and its members beyond the pale of fraternal recognition.

Edicts were promptly issued by many of the Grand Lodges of the United States and other countries, upon receipt of the intelligence by them, denouncing in no uncertain terms the unlawful and unmasonic character of the legislation referred to, and severing all fraternal relations with the said Grand Lodge.

There having been no official fraternal relations existing between the said Grand Lodge of Peru and the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, I did not consider it necessary to formulate an edict, but in lieu thereof caused the following special notice to be inserted in the regular monthly official circular of the Grand Secretary for the month of January, 1898, which was issued to all Subordinate Lodges on February 1, 1898:

"Whereas, The so-called Grand Lodge of Peru has removed the Bible from their altars and substituted the Book of Constitutions:

Therefore, the M. W. Grand Master orders that all Lodges in this Jurisdiction be forbidden to admit as visitors, or in any way recognize any one claiming membership in, or acknowledging allegiance to, said so-called Grand Lodge of Peru."

The prompt and forcible action of the various Grand Lodges throughout the world, and the scathing rebukes heaped upon the Grand Lodge of Peru, led the Grand Master to resign, and compelled the said Grand Lodge to rescind its action and restore to its proper place the only "Great Light in Masonry," which it did by the following decree:

(Seal)

J. ARTURO EGO-AGUIRRE,

Grand Master of Masons of Peru.

1. Whereas, The decree of June 13, 1897, was issued in contravention of the rules and laws of the M. R. Grand Lodge of Peru, as shown by the approved minutes of the corresponding quarterly meetings.

2. Whereas, The M. R. Grand Lodge of Peru is a Masonic Body of the York Rite, and therefore its action is limited by the immutable boundaries or landmarks of Free Masonry, acknowledgment of which is clearly made in articles 16 and 17 of its Constitution.

3. Whereas, The decree of June 13 destroys Landmark No. 21, which, besides its immutability, is the basis of the Rite.

4. Whereas, All resolutions or decrees in opposition to the fundamental laws of Ancient Free Masonry, which all Masons of the Jurisdiction are bound to comply with, are null and void.

In agreement with the opinion of the special commission appointed at the preceding annual session, I decree to abrogate the decree of June 13, 1897.

Given in full session on June 12, 1898. Let this be communicated, registered, published and filed.

J. A. EGO-AGUIRRE,

Grand Master.

M. J. CACERES,

Grand Secretary.

Since the foregoing decree was formulated, I have received from M. W. Brother J. A. Ego-Aguirre, present Grand Master, the following letter:

Lima, Peru, June 24, 1898.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, Denver:

R. W. Brethren—Having been installed as the M. W. Grand Master of this Jurisdiction, at the last Annual Communication, I appointed a committee to report on the decree about the Bible of the ex-G. M. Dam. The report was approved by the M. W. Grand Lodge at the quarterly communication held on the 12th inst., and a new decree revoking that of Brother Dam was issued.

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the committee's report and of the decree restoring the Bible on the altar.

In consequence thereof, I request that the fraternal relations between our Grand Bodies may be reëstablished and cultivated as before.

With fraternal greetings, I remain,

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

J. A. EGO-AGUIRRE,

Grand Master.

I take great pleasure in submitting all papers in my possession relating to this case, and it is with fraternal pride that I point out to you the wonderful evidence they contain of the great moral influence wielded by our beloved institution.

GRAND ORIENT OF BELGIUM.

On May 3, 1898, the Grand Secretary handed to me a circular letter from the above Grand Orient, dated at Brussels, March 25, 1898, and addressed to this Grand Lodge, in which the appointment of reciprocal Representatives is proposed, and nominating W. Brother Albert Krüger, of Antwerp, as a proper Representative of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, near the Grand Orient of Belgium; which I beg to submit herewith for your wise and fraternal consideration.

THE UNITED GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO.

On September 6, 1898, I received an appeal from the M. W. Grand Master of the above Grand Lodge, requesting the fraternal assistance of all Grand Lodges, Orients and Supreme Bodies throughout the world, and particularly of the Grand Lodges of the United States of America, in connection with certain difficulties existing between itself and the Supreme Scottish Council of Mexico, which document I herewith present for such action as you may desire to take.

TRAVELING ARMY LODGES.

On June 23, 1898, I received a letter from Durango Lodge No. 46, inquiring if it would be proper for them to request "Kentucky Army Lodge No. 1 U. D." to confer the Second and Third Degrees upon an Entered Apprentice of their Lodge. I replied that I had no knowledge, official or otherwise, that said "Army Lodge" had been regularly authorized to hold meetings and do masonic work, but that I would write to the Grand Secretary of Kentucky, and, after receiving his reply, instruct them further. Accordingly I opened correspondence with Right Worshipful Brother H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary of that Grand Jurisdiction, and on June 27, 1898, received advice from him that the "Army Lodge," designated as above, was set to work by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, personally, on June 1, 1898; that the said Lodge was regular in every respect and officered by efficient Past Masters and exceptionally good workers; thereupon I authorized Durango Lodge No. 46 to request "Kentucky Army Lodge No. 1 U. D." to confer the required degrees upon the brother in question, with the proviso that the correspondence must pass through me to the Grand Secretary of Kentucky, who would forward it to its proper des-

tion, and on July 18, 1898, the request was so forwarded. I have not yet been notified that the degrees have been conferred, and would fraternally suggest that this matter be kept in mind by the incoming Grand Master.

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

On February 2, 1898, I received the following letter from the R. W. Grand Secretary of Virginia:

Richmond, Va., January 29, 1898.

M. W. Cromwell Tucker, Grand Master of Masons in Colorado:

Most Worshipful Brother—In compliance with the mandate of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, as contained in the enclosed report, it affords me great pleasure to extend to your Grand Lodge Virginia's cordial invitation to be present at, and participate in, the memorial ceremonies incident to the observance of the death of Worshipful Brother George Washington, to be held at Mount Vernon, on December 14, 1899, either in the person of the Grand Master, or such alternate as he may appoint.

Full information as to the details of the ceremonies on that occasion will, in due time, be forwarded to your Grand Lodge by the Special Committee of Arrangements appointed by the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Hoping to be notified at an early day of your acceptance of this invitation, I have the honor to be,

Yours fraternally.

GEO. W. CARRINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

To which I replied as follows:

THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,

A. F. AND A. M. .

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE.

Denver, Colo., February 9, 1898.

R. W. Geo. W. Carrington, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Virginia, A. F. and A. M., Masonic Temple, Richmond, Va.:

Right Worshipful Brother—It affords me much pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 29, in which you convey the cordial invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to the Grand Lodge of Colorado, requesting our participation in the memorial ceremonies incident to the observance of the death of Worshipful Brother George Washington, which are to be held at Mount Vernon on December 14, 1899, either in the person of our then Grand Master, or such alternate as he may appoint, and in reply thereto, I beg to say that without doubt our Grand Lodge will be so represented.

The patriotic sentiments contained in the proposed commemorative ceremonies appeal so strongly to every member of our Craft throughout the United States of America, that it does

not require a prophetic eye to foresee that the gathering of Masons on that occasion will be the largest in our history, and be pregnant with the most important results.

We fully agree with the sentiments, so admirably expressed by Most Worshipful Brother Courtney, that the crowning glory of your old commonwealth is the honor of having furnished a Washington to the cause of liberty and constitutional government, yet we, while not "to the manor born," claim almost if not an equal honor in the same crowning glory, the effects of which are felt and always will be felt by all civilized nations throughout the world.

It is my further duty and extreme pleasure to fraternally acknowledge the courteous action of your Grand Lodge in extending its thanks for our inauguration of this matter, and for the special assignment of some duty in the programme to the Grand Master of Colorado.

Permit me to express the hope that the success of the undertaking may be commensurate with the wishes and desires of your own people and of all Masons wheresoever dispersed, and assuring you of the cordial and hearty coöperation of this Grand Lodge, I beg to remain,

Most fraternally yours,

CROMWELL TUCKER,

Grand Master.

On August 29, 1898, the following circular letter was received:

To the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Colorado:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren—At the instance of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, and subsequently at the request of her sister Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodge of Virginia assumed the conduct of the proper commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of Brother George Washington, the services incident to the occasion to take place at Mount Vernon, on December 14, 1899. The undersigned, in pursuance of a resolution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia, have been appointed a committee to prepare a suitable programme, and to devise the ways and means for carrying out the same with credit to those who have undertaken it and honor to our ancient and honorable Fraternity.

After repeated meetings of our committee and most careful consideration of the subject, we have found that it will require an outlay of money which will be equal to a per capita assessment of one cent per member in each Grand Jurisdiction.

As the commemoration is to be a national one, and Virginia has undertaken its management at the request of her sister Grand Lodges, this committee deems it proper that these Grand Lodges shall have the opportunity—if they so desire—to contribute to its proper observance.

To that end, if your Grand Jurisdiction deem the proposed observance worthy of the expenditure named, they can forward any amount they feel disposed to contribute to R. W. Fred.

Pleasants, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Masonic Temple, Richmond, Va., who has kindly consented to act as treasurer for the committee, and who will receipt for same.

K. KEMPER,
Chairman.

J. B. SENER,
JNO. W. DANIEL,
MICAHAH WOODS,
A. R. COURTNEY,
Committee.

Alexandria, Va., August 22, 1898.

In regard to the opportunity offered for our financial participation of the expenses incident to the occasion, I would fraternally recommend that as the event is to be a national one, and the management of the same has been undertaken by the Grand Lodge of Virginia at the request and suggestion of other Grand Lodges, we should contribute our per capita proportion and even more if necessary, to protect the Grand Lodge of Virginia against undue expense.

Any other matters of importance in connection with this great Masonic ceremony will doubtless be communicated to you by the standing committee, which consists of M. W. Brothers Roger W. Woodbury, William D. Wright and William D. Todd, to whom I would respectfully suggest that the correspondence submitted herewith be referred.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In reviewing the By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, which have been submitted to me for approval of amendments thereto, I have found that many of them contain sections directly in conflict with our laws, and I would therefore recommend that a committee be appointed for the purpose of determining as to the advisability of adopting uniform By-Laws for the government of our Subordinates, and of preparing the same if so decided. Otherwise, I would recommend that said committee be empowered to procure a copy of the By-Laws of each and every Lodge, and to revise the same, full report of their doings to be made at the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

2.

It has been called to my attention that the remains of our first Grand Master M. W. Brother J. M. Chivington, repose in Fairmount cemetery without a mark to denote their last resting

place, and believing that this condition is only due to the fact that the matter has not been brought to your attention, I would fraternally recommend that a committee be appointed, charged with the duty of erecting a suitable monument to the memory of our deceased Grand Master, the cost thereof to be borne by this Grand Lodge.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF WORK.

In accordance with precedent, I have made arrangements for work in the Third Degree this evening, which will be exemplified by the officers and members of Denver Lodge No. 5. I am advised that unusual efforts have been made to insure a correct rendition of the same, and sincerely hope that you will all be present, not only to witness the work, but also to participate in the feast of good things which will be provided for your physical and mental entertainment.

CONCLUSION.

In terminating my official connection with you as your Grand Master, I beg to offer my heartfelt and loving thanks for the distinguished honor you have conferred by placing me in this exalted position. It will ever be the proudest memory of my life to know that my brethren considered me worthy to occupy the station which has been so much adorned by those who have preceded me, and in humble appreciation of your confidence and esteem I have endeavored to serve you to the best of my ability, always with the effort and desire to maintain the dignity of the office, and to enhance the welfare of the Lodges and brethren of this Jurisdiction.

Owing to increased business cares and responsibilities I have not been able to spend as much time in visiting the Lodges as I had hoped and anticipated, but I realize that in the enforced failure of duty in this direction the greatest loss has been my own.

To my associate Grand Officers, to the members of the various committees, to the members of this Grand Lodge and to all the brethren throughout the Jurisdiction I desire to tender the assurance of my grateful appreciation for the many kind words of encouragement and advice, which have tended to lighten the labors of the year, and have enabled me to overcome what would otherwise have been almost insurmountable difficulties. I am especially indebted to our Worthy Grand Secretary, on

whom I have been almost a daily caller, for his many acts of fraternal courtesy and for his store of Masonic knowledge which has always been open to my demands.

And now, my brethren, in closing my address, I commit you to the guidance and further protection of an all-wise and ever-loving Father, with the earnest prayer that He will abundantly bless and prosper you in this life, and at last admit us all into the higher Lodge, which has been prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
Grand Master.

ADDRESS REFERRED.

On motion the address was referred to a special committee for division and reference.

The Deputy Grand Master appointed as said committee: Ernest Le Neve Foster (84), John M. Maxwell (51) and James W. Zimmerman (82).

REPORT.

The committee afterwards presented the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Division and Reference would respectfully recommend that

The portion of the address relating to deceased brethren of this and sister Jurisdictions be referred to a special committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand Master.

The portion relative to the dispensations to Lodges U. D. be referred to the Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges U. D.

The portion relative to the issuance of special commissions by the Grand Master, the report of the commissioners and the action of the Grand Master thereon be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

The portion relative to appointing agents at Del Norte, Alamosa and Tin Cup, and all matters relating to said Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The portion relative to the note of Mr. Crissey be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The portion relative to the Washington memorial be referred to the committee continued at the last communication of this Grand Lodge, consisting of M. W. Brothers Woodbury, Wright and Todd.

The portion relative to a suitable memorial to be erected to our deceased M. W. Brother Chivington be referred to a special committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand Master.

The portion relative to Representatives appointed near other Jurisdictions be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The decisions of the Grand Master, all dispensations except those issued to Lodges U. D., By-Laws approved, the matter of the will of deceased Brother Adams, the Grand Lodge of Peru, the Grand Orient of Belgium, the Grand Lodge of Mexico, and the recommendation as to the appointment of a Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

All other matters referred to in the address of the Grand Master, being of a routine nature, do not require any special reference.

Fraternally submitted,

ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER.

JOHN M. MAXWELL.

J. W. ZIMMERMAN.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

ON NECROLOGY.

Lawrence N. Greenleaf (5).

Albert T. Henry, Jr. (14).

A. H. Wilson (57).

ON MEMORIAL TO PAST GRAND MASTER CHIVINGTON.

The Grand Secretary.

The Grand Treasurer.

John Gregor (5).

FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

The following was read from the R. W. Junior Grand Warden of Texas:

Fort Worth, Tex., September 20, 1898.

Cromwell Tucker, Grand Master, Masonic Temple, Denver, Colo.:

Fraternal greetings and best wishes for a pleasant and profitable session of your Grand Body.

N. M. WASHER.

Brothers Andrew Sagendorf (13), George W. Roe (95) and the Grand Secretary were appointed a special committee to reply, and sent the following:

Right Worshipful N. M. Washer, Fort Worth, Tex.:

Thanks for fraternal greetings. Long life and happiness attend you, and harmony and prosperity to the Grand Lodge of Texas.

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 2 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Tuesday, September 20, 1898.

2 o'clock p. m.

Grand Lodge resumed labor, Grand Master Tucker in the East.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,

IN ACCOUNT WITH

D. A. BARTON, Grand Treasurer.

1897.

Sept. 21.	To balance on hand as per report 1897 (page 31).....	\$ 6,899 72
Oct. 12.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	284 00
Nov. 23.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	628 38

1898.

Jan. 6.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	390 79
April 9.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	298 80
June 13.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	261 60
Aug. 16.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	182 50
Aug. 24.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	1,051 00
Aug. 31.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	793 00
Sept. 1.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	532 00
Sept. 2.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	445 00
Sept. 6.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	1,341 20
Sept. 8.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	1,128 00
Sept. 12.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	677 40
Sept. 16.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	615 00
Sept. 19.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	86 00
Oct. 14, 1897.	Gower interest.....	37 50
Jan. 23, 1898.	Gower interest.....	37 50
April 14, 1898.	Gower interest.....	37 50
July 1, 1898.	Gower interest.....	37 50

\$15,764 39

PAID WARRANTS AS FOLLOWS:

No.'s 802 to 848, inclusive (except No.'s 830 and 842).....	\$ 7,249 08
Sept. 20, 1898. By balance.....	8,515 31

\$15,764 39

Sept. 20, 1898. Balance on hand.....	8,515 31
For which find cashier's check and vouchers for disbursements.	

LIBRARY FUND.

Sept. 17, 1897. Balance on hand as per report of 1897, page 31...	\$ 1,257 50
Jan. 6, 1898. Received from Grand Secretary.....	31 00
April 11, 1898. Received from Grand Secretary.....	10 00
Sept. 12, 1898. Received from Grand Secretary.....	10 00
	\$ 1,308 50
Paid warrant No. 842.....	12 00
Sept. 20, 1898. Balance on hand.....	1,296 50
	\$ 1,308 50
Sept. 20, 1898. Balance on hand.....	\$ 1,296 50
For which find cashier's check and voucher No. 842 for disbursement.	

RECAPITULATION.

Sept. 20, 1898. Balance on hand, general fund.....	\$ 8,515 31
Sept. 20, 1898. Balance on hand, library fund.....	1,296 50
Total on hand.....	\$ 9,811 81

ADDITIONAL ASSETS IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

One note secured by trust deed, signed by John H. Gower, bearing interest at 8 per cent.....	\$ 2,500 00
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Fraternally submitted,

D. A. BARTON,
Grand Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

The following was read and referred to the Committee on Division and Reference:

To the Grand Lodge:

I submit the following as my thirty-second annual report as your Grand Secretary:

September 22, 1897, Charters were issued to Mount Lam-born Lodge No. 102, at Hotchkiss, Delta county, and to Vulcan Lodge No. 103, at Hooper, Costilla county.

DELINQUENTS.

No lists of officers were received from Silver Cliff No. 38, Boulder No. 45, Durango No. 46, Berthoud No. 83 or Amethyst No. 94, as required by By-Law No. 35.

Black Hawk No. 11, Pueblo No. 17, Doric No. 25, King Solomon No. 30, Olive Branch No. 32, Boulder No. 45, Loveland No. 53, Crested Butte No. 58, Euclid No. 64, Glenwood No. 65, Manitou No. 68, Logan No. 70, Wray No. 71, Burlington No. 77, Brighton No. 78, Rio Blanco No. 80, Berthoud No. 83, Trinidad No. 89, Silver State No. 95 and Fremont No. 97 (20) did not make returns and pay dues within the time required by By-Law No. 36.

Harmony No. 61 made returns but did not pay dues on time.

Amethyst No. 94 paid dues but did not make returns on time.

Loveland No. 53 made returns and paid dues since this Grand Lodge opened.

Rio Blanco No. 80 and Berthoud No. 83 paid dues this morning, but have not made returns. The Representatives of those Lodges say that the Secretaries did not receive blanks on which to make said returns. They knew that returns were due and should have notified me that the blanks were not received.

Fremont No. 97 has not made returns or paid dues.

(The returns of No.'s 80 and 83 were received September 27.)

(The returns and dues of No. 97 were received on the morning of the second day, before the Grand Lodge opened.)

ERRORS.

El Paso No. 13 reports James Kime as a member, and the Secretary writes me that he was reported deceased in 1875. He has not been reported since. The Grand Lodge dues on a member since he was reported are \$22.75.

Columbia No. 14 and Trinidad No. 89 do not give ages of any of their members, as required by decision No. 125. All other Lodges give the ages of at least a part of their members, very few give the ages of all.

St. Vrain No. 23 does not give date of meetings, and reports T. J. Davis, admitted April 3, 1897, and owes dues on him for 1897, \$1.

Burlington No. 77, the Secretary says that one name was omitted from last year's report. The brother was reported as suspended August 15, 1896, and has not been reported reinstated. Owe dues on him for 1897, \$1.

Returns of Brighton No. 78 and Mount Lamborn No. 102 have no seal.

Returns of Rio Blanco No. 80 have no seal and do not account for J. A. Watson and Joseph Collom.

Trinidad No. 89 does not give date of meeting and is not signed by the Secretary.

All the Lodges use initials in many cases instead of giving full names, and in very few do the initials of any two succeeding years correspond, showing great carelessness on part of the Secretaries.

BOUND VOLUMES RECEIVED FOR OUR LIBRARY.

Grand Lodge Proceedings for 1897 of Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio, Texas and West Virginia.

For 1898—Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee and Vermont.

Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Texas, volume 1, 1854-1872; volume 2, 1873-1890, from the Grand Chapter of Colorado.

Templar Handbook, from the Grand Commandery of Colorado.

MASONIC PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

I have received the following in exchange for our Proceedings:

American Tyler, Detroit, Mich.
Free Mason and Fez, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Kansas Free Mason, Wichita, Kan.
Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, Ind.
Masonic Chronicle, Columbus, Ohio.
Masonic Chronicle, New York City.
Masonic Constellation, St. Louis, Mo.
Masonic Home Journal, Louisville, Ky.
Masonic Journal, Portland, Maine.
Masonic Review, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Masonic Token, Portland, Maine.
Orient, Budapest, Hungary.
Square and Compass, Denver, Colo.
Texas Free Mason, San Antonio, Tex.
The Orient, Kansas City, Mo.
The Pacific Mason, Seattle, Wash.
The Square and Compass, New Orleans, La.
Trestle Board, San Francisco, Cal.
Voice of Masonry, Chicago, Ill.
And odd numbers of several others.

DUES FROM LODGES FOR 1898.

LODGE	No.	WHEN PAID	Members	Exempt	Amount
Golden City.....	1	Sept. 7, 1898	65	13	\$ 50 00
Nevada.....	4	Sept. 5, 1898	48	11	37 00
Denver.....	5	Aug. 22, 1898	530	88	442 00
Central.....	6	Sept. 3, 1898	70	14	56 00
Union.....	7	Sept. 7, 1898	508	81	427 00
Black Hawk.....	11	Sept. 10, 1898	50	7	43 00
Washington.....	12	Sept. 8, 1898	65	11	54 00
El Paso.....	13	Sept. 7, 1898	289	39	250 00
Columbia.....	14	Aug. 30, 1898	212	27	185 00
Mount Moriah.....	15	Sept. 1, 1898	162	28	134 00
Pueblo.....	17	Sept. 9, 1898	137	16	121 00
Collins.....	19	Sept. 6, 1898	169	21	148 00
Occidental.....	20	Aug. 29, 1898	126	31	95 00
Weston.....	22	Aug. 24, 1898	38	10	28 00
St. Vrain.....	23	Sept. 2, 1898	114	21	93 00
Doric.....	25	Sept. 10, 1898	55	11	44 00
Idaho Springs.....	26	Aug. 31, 1898	68	4	64 00
Huerfano.....	27	Aug. 29, 1898	63	10	53 00
Las Animas.....	28	Aug. 19, 1898	125	18	107 00
King Solomon.....	30	Sept. 15, 1898	42	5	37 00
South Pueblo.....	31	Sept. 2, 1898	179	18	161 00
Olive Branch.....	32	Sept. 15, 1898	52	6	46 00
San Juan.....	33	Sept. 1, 1898	53	4	79 00
Crystal Lake.....	34	Sept. 2, 1898	38	2	36 00
Ionic.....	35	Sept. 7, 1898	137	14	123 00
Rosita.....	36	Sept. 7, 1898	14	1	13 00
Ouray.....	37	Sept. 3, 1898	108	7	101 00
Silver Cliff.....	38	Sept. 8, 1898	27	4	23 00
Gunnison.....	39	Aug. 25, 1898	72	8	64 00
Pitkin.....	40	Sept. 6, 1898	14	---	14 00
Schiller.....	41	Aug. 31, 1898	63	7	56 00
Corinthian.....	42	Aug. 31, 1898	39	3	36 00
Eagle.....	43	Sept. 6, 1898	26	3	23 00
Alamosa.....	44	Sept. 1, 1898	52	7	45 00
Boulder.....	45	Sept. 12, 1898	99	6	93 00
Durango.....	46	Sept. 8, 1898	188	11	127 00
Breckenridge.....	47	Aug. 30, 1898	44	4	40 00
Georgetown.....	48	Sept. 3, 1898	33	8	25 00
Mt. Princeton.....	49	Sept. 1, 1898	59	10	49 00
Garfield.....	50	Sept. 2, 1898	41	3	38 00
Leadville.....	51	Sept. 8, 1898	107	8	99 00
Loveland.....	53	Sept. 20, 1898	68	6	62 00
Sterling.....	54	Aug. 27, 1898	31	6	25 00
Mesa.....	55	Sept. 7, 1898	127	7	120 00
Talluride.....	56	Aug. 27, 1898	90	---	90 00
Salida.....	57	Sept. 5, 1898	85	3	82 00
Crested Butte.....	58	Sept. 17, 1898	47	1	46 00
La Veta.....	59	Sept. 7, 1898	27	4	23 00
Spar.....	60	Sept. 5, 1898	99	2	97 00
Harmony.....	61	Sept. 14, 1898	140	12	128 00
Delta.....	62	Sept. 8, 1898	40	3	37 00
Montrose.....	63	Sept. 5, 1898	58	3	55 00
Euclid.....	64	Sept. 14, 1898	79	5	74 00
Glenwood.....	65	Sept. 13, 1898	83	6	77 00
Eureka.....	66	Sept. 1, 1898	56	---	56 00
Oasis.....	67	Sept. 7, 1898	46	1	45 00
Manitou.....	68	Sept. 12, 1898	45	3	42 00
Windsor.....	69	Sept. 1, 1898	49	4	45 00
Logan.....	70	Sept. 19, 1898	21	1	20 00
Wray.....	71	Sept. 14, 1898	35	8	27 00
Granada.....	72	Aug. 30, 1898	12	---	12 00
Monte Vista.....	73	Aug. 26, 1898	47	6	41 00
Akron.....	74	Sept. 8, 1898	43	4	39 00
St. John's.....	75	Aug. 25, 1898	67	11	56 00
Colorado City.....	76	Sept. 10, 1898	72	7	65 00

LODGE	No.	WHEN PAID	Members	Exempt	Amount
Burlington.....	77	Sept. 19, 1898	20	-----	20 00
Brighton.....	78	Sept. 13, 1898	40	1	59 00
Rico.....	79	Sept. 3, 1898	67	5	62 00
Rio Blanco.....	80	Sept. 20, 1898	29	2	27 00
Holyoke.....	81	Sept. 9, 1898	35	2	33 00
Carbondale.....	82	Sept. 1, 1898	57	2	35 00
Berthoud.....	83	Sept. 20, 1898	45	5	39 00
Temple.....	84	Aug. 22, 1898	176	7	169 00
Highlands.....	86	Aug. 20, 1898	108	10	98 00
Oriental.....	87	Aug. 23, 1898	183	4	179 00
Yampa.....	88	Aug. 26, 1898	31	1	30 00
Trinidad.....	89	Sept. 15, 1898	94	-----	94 00
Lamar.....	90	Sept. 8, 1898	54	1	53 00
Lafayette.....	91	Sept. 6, 1898	31	2	29 00
Rob Morris.....	92	Sept. 5, 1898	96	8	98 00
South Denver.....	98	Aug. 25, 1898	73	8	65 00
Amethyst.....	94	Sept. 12, 1898	51	8	48 00
Silver State.....	95	Sept. 10, 1898	93	1	92 00
Mount Pisgah.....	96	Sept. 3, 1898	123	6	117 00
Hiram.....	98	Aug. 31, 1898	74	5	69 00
Victor.....	99	Sept. 6, 1898	114	2	112 00
Mancos.....	100	Sept. 9, 1898	22	2	20 00
Plateau.....	101	Aug. 20, 1898	29	1	28 00
Mount Lamborn.....	102	Sept. 7, 1898	18	3	15 00
Vulcan.....	103	Sept. 6, 1898	26	3	23 00
Tejon.....	U.D.	Sept. 20, 1898	-----	1	1 00

TOTAL RECEIPTS.

Balance (page 36, 1897, Proceedings).....	\$ 284 00
Charter, Mt. Lamborn Lodge No. 102.....	20 00
Charter, Vulcan Lodge No. 103.....	20 00
Dispensation, Tejon Lodge.....	40 00
Dispensation, Tyrian Lodge.....	40 00
Dispensation, Egeria Lodge.....	40 00
Dues, La Veta Lodge No. 59 for 1896.....	1 00
Dues, Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 96 for 1896.....	1 00
Dues, La Veta Lodge No. 59 for 1897.....	1 00
Dues, Rico Lodge No. 79 for 1897.....	6 00
Dues, Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 96 for 1897.....	2 00
Dues, members Del Norte Lodge No. 29.....	248 42
Dues, members Acacia Lodge No. 85.....	92 45
Funds, Del Norte Lodge No. 29.....	279 67
Funds, Acacia Lodge No. 85.....	32 31
From Del Norte property.....	401 75
From Alamosa property.....	607 02
From Tin Cup property.....	10 00
Burial service sold.....	2 25
Proceedings sold.....	1 80
Dues from Lodges for 1898.....	6,713 00

Total \$ 8,843 67

I HAVE PAID OUR GRAND TREASURER.

Oct. 12, 1897.....	\$ 284 00
Nov. 23, 1897.....	628 38
Jan. 6, 1898.....	390 79
April 9, 1898.....	298 60
June 13, 1898.....	261 60
Aug. 16, 1898.....	182 50
Aug. 24, 1898.....	1,061 00
Aug. 30, 1898.....	793 00
Sept. 1, 1898.....	532 00
Sept. 2, 1898.....	445 00
Sept. 6, 1898.....	1,341 20
Sept. 8, 1898.....	1,128 00
Sept. 12, 1898.....	677 40
Sept. 16, 1898.....	615 00
Sept. 19, 1898.....	86 00
Balance on hand.....	129 00
Total	\$ 8,843 67

WARRANTS DRAWN.

L. N. Greenleaf, correspondent.....	802	\$ 200 00
T. Linton, services.....	3	25 00
G. W. Emery, services.....	4	14 00
P. C. Johnson, services.....	5	10 00
H. Zalss, services.....	6	6 00
Grand Secretary, contingent fund.....	7	20 00
Grand Secretary, contingent fund, balance 1897.....	8	9 26
Grand Treasurer, pay roll.....	9	1,528 45
The Bohm-Bristol Co., jewel.....	810	100 00
Chapman & Maitland, fee on bonds.....	1	100 00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa, interest and payment on note.....	2	1,075 00
G. W. Roe, Grand Master's expenses.....	3	27 95
W. W. Williamson, account No. 85.....	4	3 00
Thos. Gough, account No. 85.....	5	10 50
El Paso No. 13, account No. 85.....	6	32 90
R. Schwarz, account No. 85.....	7	4 00
H. T. DeLong, expenses constituting No. 102.....	8	11 10
A. Bassett, Del Norte insurance.....	9	50 00
First National Bank, account No. 29.....	820	457 42
F. P. Davis, account No. 85.....	1	3 90
W. F. Robinson Printing Co., printing Proceedings.....	2	782 80
Bank of Del Norte, account No. 29.....	3	331 18
Grand Secretary, salary.....	4	300 00
P. B. Gaylord & Co., insurance.....	5	28 00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	6	87 50
G. T. Cooper, expenses visiting No. 73.....	7	8 20
Denver National Bank, Alamosa insurance.....	8	145 70
Grand Lecturer, expenses.....	9	200 00
C. Casser, account No. 85.....	830	3 30
Geo. James, account No. 85.....	1	2 00
M. G. Fristoe, account No. 85.....	2	13 37

A. Bassett, Del Norte insurance.....	3	30 00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	4	87 50
Grand Secretary, salary.....	5	300 00
First National Bank, Del Norte taxes.....	6	335 42
Grand Master, expenses.....	7	17 75
Grand Lecturer, expenses.....	8	36 00
Grand Secretary, salary.....	9	300 00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	840	87 50
L. N. Greenleaf, expenses to Saguache.....	1	8 25
W. H. Kistler Stationery Co., blank book.....	3	7 00
First National Bank, Del Norte taxes.....	4	137 20
S. Wineberger, account Del Norte interest.....	5	3 75
The Bohm-Bristol Co., jewel.....	6	100 00
Deputy Grand Master, expenses.....	7	8 95
Grand Master, expenses.....	8	4 00
J. E. Brothers, taxes on Tin Cup property.....	9	3 97

\$ 7,256 35

LIBRARY FUND.

I have received:

H. M. Teller, donation.....	\$	6 00
J. H. Peabody, donation.....		5 00
Grand Master, special dispensations.....		40 00

Total\$ 51 00

And have paid our Grand Treasurer said amount.

I have drawn one warrant for books bound.....\$ 12 00

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

Tejon Lodge U. D., at Colorado Springs, has returned its dispensation and records, made returns, paid dues, and presents a petition for Charter signed by forty-one.

Tyrian Lodge U. D., at Del Norte, has returned its dispensation and records, made returns.

Egeria Lodge U. D., at Yampa, has returned its dispensation and records. These Lodges not having done the necessary work to entitle them to Charters ask that their dispensations be continued.

RAILROADS.

The railroads have granted us a one and one-fifth rate for the round trip for Delegates and ladies accompanying.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

A detailed account of the contingent expenses of this office is herewith submitted, which shows a balance of \$37.45 due your Grand Secretary.

DEL NORTE PROPERTY.

Total receipts by agent.....	\$ 585 40
Expenses paid by agent.....	183 65
Cash received from agent.....	\$ 401 75
Received Lodge funds No. 29.....	279 67
Received dues of members No. 29.....	261 92
Total	\$ 943 34
Grand Lodge warrants drawn on account of this property.....	\$ 1,394 97
Five notes and interest of No. 29 paid.....	47 25
	\$ 1,442 22
Excess of payments over receipts.....	\$ 498 88

As all taxes and incumbrances are paid we can now expect an income from the property.

ALAMOSA PROPERTY.

Total receipts by agent.....	\$ 988 75
Expenses paid by agent.....	351 73
Balance	\$ 637 02
Cash received from agent.....	607 02
Three notes of Del Norte No. 29.....	30 00
Total	\$ 637 02
Grand Lodge warrants drawn on account of this property.....	\$ 1,483 00
Receipts as above.....	637 02
Excess of payments over receipts.....	\$ 845 98

As all taxes and incumbrances (except the trust deed of \$3,500) are now paid, we can look for a gradual reduction of said indebtedness from the income of the property.

Fraternally submitted,

ED. C. PARMELEE,
Grand Secretary.

REPORT.

The Committee on Division and Reference soon presented the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Colorado:

Your Committee on Division and Reference, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Secretary, recommend that

The parts referring to finances and that pertaining to delinquent Lodges and their failure to comply with By-Law No. 36 be referred to the Finance Committee.

The portion concerning Lodges U. D. be referred to the Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges U. D.

Faternally submitted,

ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER.

JOHN M. MAXWELL.

J. W. ZIMMERMAN.

BROTHER ADNA ADAMS TREAT.

On motion of the Senior Grand Warden, A. A. Burand (51), the Grand Master appointed Brothers G. K. Kimball (1), H. T. West (20), and W. D. Wright (84), a special committee to visit Worshipful Brother Adna Adams Treat, who in April last passed his one hundred and first birthday, and to extend to him the congratulations of this Grand Lodge on his long and useful life.

Afterwards Brother Kimball reported verbally that they had called on our venerable brother, as directed; that they had found him cheerful, and that he expressed himself much pleased that he had been remembered by the Grand Lodge, and that he had sent his blessings and good wishes to the Grand Lodge and every member thereof.

ORATION.

The M. W. Grand Master introduced R. W. Brother Leopold Freudenthal, Grand Orator, who delivered the following, which was ordered published with our Proceedings:

INTRODUCTION.

Standing before this Worshipful Assembly on this sacred spot, I am forcibly reminded of a saying of my ancient sages: "Know before whom thou standest, weigh every one of thy words well, so thou speakest none excepting such thou canst

prove, so that you may not lead to doubt but to certainty." I am but too well aware of my inability to do justice to the task assigned to me to-day, first of all by reason of the lack of words to give expression to sentiments that now stir my innermost depths; secondly, by reason of my knowing that I am surrounded by auditors and listeners far better versed in the tenets of Masonry than I dare lay claim to; and thirdly, by reason of the unexpected honor conferred last year, and the lack of time owing to my chosen profession. But then it is not excuses you have come to listen to from all over this our beloved Centennial State, but instructions, and these to give you I am constrained to start out, "by reason of a motion offered last year," from the brilliant effort of Brother Johnson. I take it for granted that the motion alluded to, viz., "to continue where the eloquent Orator of last year stopped," refers not to modern but to ancient Masonry. For the evidence abounds that the same was practiced among all ancient nations, but more especially among the Hebrews, with whom it seems to have become a necessity. Owing to persecution, from without, they sought unions from within, combined by signs and tokens, grips and words; they met on hills and in valleys to help each other, infuse fidelity, courage, truth and wisdom among each other, and strengthen the divine and mystic link which cruel men made every effort to break asunder. How well they have succeeded is proven at this time by reason of every word as yet used is of their tongue, every grip by which we grasp a brother's hand is interpreted in their language, every ceremony as yet performed derived from either their private or public services. We may therefore justly claim that Masonry is not only, as one of our most venerable and cherished brethren claimed or pronounced here last year, "*an institution*," but, in my humble version, "*a divine institution*." In order to make this claim more clear, permit me to recall a statement also made here one year ago by your humble servant, namely, the claim that the Grand Masonic word was never lost, but is as yet to be found in the sixteenth chapter of Leviticus. Many were the letters of inquiry, as well as questions asked, during the past year. A few I have answered to the best of my ability, yet to none could a lucid explanation be given, owing to my E. A. obligation. One thing a vast majority of our brethren seem to forget, namely, not one of our *words* is found in the vernacular; *all* are taken from the Hebrew text. It is consequently to that language we must apply if we desire Masonic instruction and incontestable proofs that Free and Accepted Masonry is derived from ancient Hebrew records. Yea, it is impossible to separate the history and

teachings of Masonry from those of the Bible, whose principal author, Moses, devotes over twelve chapters in Exodus to the construction of the tabernacle, which served King Solomon partly for plan in building the temple. If we accept the Bible as the primary law book of nations, then we are bound to ascribe to its contents a more lasting and permanent purpose than the temporary ordinance of erecting a movable tabernacle or a magnificent temple, which, through divine dispensation, was destroyed, and for which no attempt of rebuilding was made for centuries. If the various parts of those structures represent symbols, imparting wholesome lessons to mankind not found anywhere else, then their objects have been kept alive by Free Masonry, for that institution has, for over thirteen centuries, filled the sublime purposes for which the wisdom of an unrivaled Moses devoted his lofty inspirations. *Masonry is the connecting link between the Temple on Moriah of the past and the universal Temple of Humanity of the future.* There are but three important histories extant: the Roman, the Greek and the Hebrew. The Roman history relates the rise, growth and predominance of might and force, and is still continued by the warlike powers of Europe, and will be concluded when universal freedom will replace despotism and brutal force. The Greek history is eminently that of science and of art, but can no longer be considered as a separate or distinct one, since all modern nations seek the advancement of those powerful mediums of civilization. The Hebrew history treats the development of those idealistic ideas, the production of the spirit, the highest tendencies of mind and heart combined; it has no end, for the *spirit* is immortal and eternal, outlives all other histories. Masonry is based on Hebrew history, and is likewise the exponent of idealistic ideas. Masonry is largely founded on tradition. One of its principal historical basis is the erection of that grand temple by Solomon to the service of the Holy One, and emblematical of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man; his sending to Hiram, king of Tyre, who had assisted his father, David, in building royal palaces, to aid him in the construction of that temple. Correspondence shown, 8 B. Josephus Antiq., chapter II. King Hiram sending eminent workmen in metals and wood work, among which was one whose superior never lived, who was appointed chief architect. He was the son of a widow from the tribe of Naphtali, and his father a man of Tyre, and in honor of the king was called Hiram Abive, which means "Hirams the Chief," Abif also signifying father, thus showing him a son's veneration. The plans to be submitted to three, five or seven approved by the chief. History fails to inform us as to his

reward, but Masonic tradition fills the omission by imparting how this overseer, Hiram Abiv, lost his life in defending the plans and designs of the temple confided to his care and safe keeping. The honors paid to his memory by King Solomon were indeed consistent with the character and worth of this illustrious man. The monument erected to his memory is the institution of Free and Accepted Masonry, originating from the mixed parentage of Hiram Abiv as a Jew and a Gentile, combining all creeds, uniting all nationalities, ignoring all sectarianism, declaring the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Solomon's prayer at the consecration of the temple emphasizes these principles, which were ever promulgated among the Jews, even during their Babylonian captivity, and even at the time when the second temple adorned Moriah's mount, until Rome crushed this bond of union and the rabbi, Jesus of Nazareth, with his apostles belonging to the Esseneic Masonic fraternity, revolted against the usurpation and, together with hundreds of thousands, suffered martyrdom for their conviction and patriotism. The Hebrews were scattered and, like *Masonry*, dwelt in exile. In the gloomy and obscure days of the middle ages, when all advancement in the higher arts and sciences, as well as their natural associates, fraternization and good will among men, were dormant, the lofty principles of speculative Masonry had to succumb to the powerful rule of tyranny, bigotry and ignorance. In like manner as the Jews met to preserve their faith, so Masons met at secret places, practiced their ancient rites and customs, ever zealous in constructing the universal Temple of Humanity. The language used in our most important work must have been adopted at the earlier days of its organization and long before the building of the temple, for the sublime idealistic ideas which Masonry proclaims could in no other tongue be so well expressed as in that highly poetical language, properly styled "the sacred tongue;" and let us remember that were it not for those Hebrew terms and traditions, its principles would not have been so well preserved. So much for my introduction, and now to my points:

Any organization counting its existence by centuries must be possessed of some real vital powers for its support. Masonry is one of those ancient institutions which withstood the destruction to which all things mundane are exposed, and the impartial mind will readily admit that the reason of its remarkable longevity lies in the high moral principles which it fosters and proclaims. Every fraternal organization aims at the promotion of virtue, yet its existence depends upon the manner such virtue is taught and practiced. Masonry in its initiatory instructions has

adopted as the only proper basis for the practice of all virtue, man's *will power*.

"And he, Solomon, erected the left pillar and called its name B," denoting strength. (1 Kings vii., verse 21.) It could never have been the object of Solomon to convey only the idea of *strength*, as that word in Hebrew is * * "Oz" and with the prefix * * (Bo) makes it read "In strength." The proper translation from the Hebrew text is: "And he called it by its name Boaz, namely by *the* name of that celebrated Boaz mentioned in the Book of Ruth as a great and vallant man." There is no question that for the two-fold reason, to denote strength as well as to do honor to the memory of this eminent ancestor of Solomon, that this pillar was called "Boaz." As to its meaning, we should know that the Hebrew name generally expresses either an attribute of God or the character of the person. According to this rule, the meaning of *Boaz* is, "In him is strength," which here may be applied to God and man (Boaz). (Prov., xxiv., 5.) In the wise man is strength. Wherever in Scripture the term *wise* is used in connection with man, it generally alludes to that superior spiritual wisdom which testifies of his godlike origin; in such a person is *moral strength*, namely the strength of *will power* to do what is right. The first lesson in Masonry in the E. A. Degree is the symbolical vision of Jacob's ladder with its three steps, which are illustrated as representing "Faith, Hope and Charity," but whereof the latter, *we* claim, is *humanity*. If Masonry, true to its declarations, was instituted by King Solomon, it never could have adopted "*Charity*" for its motto, because that word is not found in the Hebrew Bible, nor could Solomon have taught, as to illustrating Jacob's ladder, what is in direct opposition to biblical principles and Jewish ethics. All precepts and references to the treatment of the poor, the stranger, the widow and the orphan are therein classed under the laws of justice (Hebrew). * * *

From the numerous explanations of Hebrew commentators of the meaning of Jacob's ladder, we have selected only those which have a direct bearing upon the work and teachings of Speculative Masonry. The Midrash interprets that the ladder with the angels ascending and descending, and God at its top, illustrates *Revelation*, the connecting link between God and man, for the letters of both Hebrew words for ladder, * * and Sinai, * * (where the revelation to Israel, and through it to humanity, took place), count the same number of 130. In Hebrew, as in Latin, there are no distinct characters for ciphers; letters serve for that purpose. As to the origin of the three great principles,

Faith, Hope and Charity, being attributed to Jacob's vision, the same is based on a strange and remarkable occurrence, that the word * * *the place*, is in almost the same sentence three times repeated (Gen. xxiii., 11): "He lighted upon a certain place, tarried there all night, for the sun was set; he took of the stones of that place, put them under his head and laid down in that place." The first mention of that word, "place," in this text, refers to the spot where Abraham brought Isaac as a sacrifice, which was Mount Moriah, and is spoken of as the place indicated by God. This event is called, "Abraham's test of *faith*." The mention for the second time of the word refers to Jacob's dream, where to the shepherd boy the vision occurred, who there dreamed of his *hope*, as we learn from his promise when he awoke: "If God be with me, this stone which I have placed shall become God's house." And lastly, that for the third time the word "place" is used in the same text is to indicate the holy of holies in the temple built on Mount Moriah, generally termed the *holy place*, in which the Lord will choose to make known His name, proclaim His kingdom, which the Bible and Masonry teach is the Temple of *Humanity*, illustrating the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

On Mount Moriah's ladder of revelation, Abraham's faith appears as the first step, for the other can only be reached by first ascending the one nearest to earth; no true hope nor humanity without faith. Reason and faith are both innate in man; in many instances they seem to be at variance with each other and in continuous strife for supremacy in directing man's conduct. Reason, the stronger of the two, tries with her mighty weapons and clamorous voice to overpower meek and modest faith. It was reason, with her host of servile agents, led by the selfish instincts inborn in man, which held sway over yielding faith, when Abraham's heroism, displayed on Moriah's height, attained faith triumphed over all natural faculties and brought *reason's sacrifice on the altar of faith*, as illustrated by the rational, inquiring youth, Isaac, and the pious, sympathetic patriarch, Abraham, "*The father of faith*." Mount Moriah, the cradle of civilization, witnessed the struggle of these two powers in man, beheld the victory of faith over reason, and since that eventful moment, as twice told in that history, "they went both of them together to battle against ignorance and superstition, to fight for right, truth and justice.

Reason alone is insufficient to promote harmony and love, to establish union and peace; unrestrained reason engenders endless strife and disputes, which threaten with annihilation. For its

natural development and useful existence it needs a strong yet docile hand to guide its rapid strides, its potent efforts and vast influences, in order to accomplish its mission, the mental advancement of the human race. Faith is this heavenly guide which comes to reason's aid, for wherever reason ends, there faith begins. Faith without reason fosters bigotry, fanaticism and ignorance. Reason without faith creates doubt, discord and despotism. It is therefore essential that both should go together in their progressive march for the protection of intellect and sentiment. It requires *strength of will power* to combat the inroads of unrestrained reason, to shield yielding and modest faith from being crushed, so that love and peace may be able to establish God's kingdom on earth.

The second step on revelation's ladder is *Hope*, as the intervening medium between faith and humanity. True faith conducts every traveler on life's path, however rugged his journey may be, to the consoling, cheerful and inspiring presence of *Hope*. It is the patriarch, Jacob, in the early days of his forlorn state, as wanderer with only a staff, a flask of oil, and stones for a pillow, which offers a true representation of heavenly Hope. This celestial messenger, "Hope," still wanders on earth with but a single staff for its support, reached out to her by her twin sister, Faith, wherewith she removes all the stones which beset her path, carrying soothing and healing balm to relieve the most wretched from suffering. And when the bright sun of happiness on man's journey through life has set and all is dark to him, for not a ray of its cheerful light penetrates either mind or heart, Hope descends on revelation's ladder from on high, to grant the anguished spirit rest; and though stones may serve him as pillow, Hope puts the persecuted of world's trials to sleep, to forget his miseries, transforming the horrible sights of want and despair into pleasant dreams and visions; angels administer to his wants, and kind Providence, standing at the top of *all*, as the sole owner of the universe, conveys the message, "To thee and thy seed I bequeath this place and mansion." To hear this consoling message at all times, even when heaven and earth seem to conspire to make life a burden, we need a potent impetus, "strength of will power," hope in God, so as to transform the roughest stone into a sanctuary for *humanity* to meet; for this is the third and highest round on revelation's ladder, nearest to heaven, to God's throne, the superior to Faith and Hope. By "Humanity" we understand that lofty virtue of kindness, justice, sympathy, benevolence, mercy and love, a willing disposition to extend by all means in our power the greatest blessing to our fellow-man, as

illustrated by Boaz to Ruth, exemplified in Solomon's Temple in its holy of holies, where was deposited the ark containing the two tablets of the law, watched over by two cherubims with uplifted wings. On the two tables the Ten Commandments were engraven, inculcating the ten cardinal virtues: 1, Liberty; 2, Truth; 3, Reverence; 4, Self-Preservation; 5, Gratitude; 6, Justice; 7, Morality; 8, Honesty; 9, Union; 10, Love, all of which are embodied in Humanity. Let us always evince this infinite strength of *will power* towards this union between Providence and nature, between God and man, and you perform an angel's part, leading mankind to ascend the ladder towards immortality. Strength was the left pillar of the porch of the temple. The noblest impulses emanate from the left of the human body, the heart, for each of its pulsations influences our will power. May moral strength, "Boaz," be ever a strong pillar of your left, a support to your heart in the performance of heroic and glorious deeds for the establishment of God's kingdom on earth—"The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man!"

II.

The best method generally adopted for the inculcation of moral truth is by illustration, in terms easily accepted by the mental faculties as essential for human felicity. Among such illustrations we often find the term, "pathway," used, denoting the proper course to pursue through life. Especially in the practice of virtue do we hear this expression of "walking on the even road that leads to unfailling happiness." Man, a sojourner for a limited time; his destination, the mysterious beyond; as such a wanderer he should know how to act for the greatest benefit of his health, his comfort, his self-protection, his salvation.

"Do say, Shibboleth, and when he said Sibboleth, being unable to pronounce it correctly, they laid hold of him and slew him in the passages of the Jordan." (Judges, xii., 6.)

"And he, Solomon, set up the right pillar and called its name * * * denoting establishment." (1 B. Kings, vii., 21.)

These alleged reasons in above texts are rather vague and inadequate compared to the lessons they are intended to impart. It is evident that more weighty reasons must have induced the wise king in selecting them for the important matters they are used in Speculative Masonry. It is peculiar that both words appear in the same above quoted sentence, * * * * * whereof a literal translation is, "And he said Sibboleth, but could not," but both words are used as proper nouns, and therefore

may be said also to signify, "And he said *Shibboleth* and not *Jachin*." It is still more remarkable that this rendition corresponds exactly with the Masonic form. First, a correct knowledge and proper pronounciation of one, before the other can be given. As the left pillar was named after Solomon's celebrated ancestor, the husband of Ruth (Boaz), so the right was named after the fourth son of Simon (was therefore a grandson of Jacob, as found in the forty-sixth chapter of Genesis), evidently equally as illustrious a man. In the Hebrew the letter k * * is frequently changed in the proper name into ch * * which in the Arabic and Persic is translated into "he is a smith," and from this followed the rabbinical tradition that when King Solomon beheld the grandeur of the temple at its completion he offered as a reward to the Craft that he who could prove of having furnished the best work for its construction should sit on his throne as king of Israel for one day. At the appointed time all of his artisans assembled at his throne hall to present their claims for this honor. Solomon ordered the curtain which, concealed his throne to be removed, when a blacksmith was found standing before the royal chair. The officers of the king stepped immediately forward to kill the low intruder, but Solomon commanded that an opportunity be given the smith to explain his unwarranted conduct, whereupon he spoke: "My lord and master, thou hast invited all the artisans to compete for this royal honor, but the blacksmith thou didst not invite, while I furnished the Craft with the tools to do their work. I therefore claim the exclusive right to this royal honor, for without the tools I wrought none could have furnished any work for the temple." Solomon answered: "Thou hast spoken correctly, and Solomon now does homage to the blacksmith, as king of Israel, to sit on his throne for a full day."

Besides a proper name, there are several other meanings of the Hebrew word *Jachin*, derived from its root, namely "*to establish*," "*foundation*" and "*to direct*," in fact, the last syllable is our English "*Yes*."

Likewise has the word *Shibboleth* its various meanings, denoting "*a stream*," "*an ear of corn*," "*a branch*," "*a path*," from which we may perceive that its correct definition is *a pathway leading to some substantial matter or result*.

The number *seven* has ever been held in high esteem by all the nations of antiquity, which could only have originated through the same tradition, that at the creation, the seventh period or day was declared sacred. In the construction of the temple, Solomon displayed his high regard for that universal tradition,

in constituting the *seven* steps to lead to the door of the inner chamber of the temple. In front of these steps stood the two pillars, representing the powers of the Deity. For God alone can and does establish, and by His strength gives *strength* to the works of men. They were also emblematical of the pillars of clouds and fire, denoting * * * eternity and * * * majesty, which impart support to the whole universe. The seven steps represent not only the seven sciences, but also the seven pathways to the temple of humanity. We base this explanation on the fact that the names of these seven sciences in Hebrew—the dialect in which King Solomon instituted Free Masonry—are also used in the Holy Script as well as Talmud for seven cardinal virtues, viz.:

I. Grammar	Purity of thought and speech.
II. Rhetoric	Profound knowledge.
III. Logic	Truth.
IV. Arithmetic	Union.
V. Geometry	Fraternalization.
VI. Music	Harmony.
VII. Astronomy	Faith.

These are pathways, recognition signs, by which men can be distinguished in their missions and Masons in their art to establish God's kingdom on earth, or "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

III.

In order to form a correct idea of the import of Masonry, its incalculable benefits to mankind, its unlimited resources for the spiritual development of the human race, we should be impressed with the extraordinary genius of its illustrious founder. King Solomon's time is known in history as "*the golden age*," which did not merely apply to the lustre and magnificence of his reign, the immense wealth and general prosperity of his country, but it serves to illustrate the union and peace which in those days prevailed on earth, every man dwelt under his own vine and fig tree, the sublime sciences and arts were cultivated by the whole civilized world, inspired by the example of the king of wisdom, who stood at the head of poets, orators, philosophers, statesmen, judges and scientists of his time. All these various talents, combined with his immense wealth, he dedicated to the construction of his grand temple at Jerusalem; all the exalted genius of his inspired spirit he consecrated to establish this in-

stitution of speculative Masonry, to be the universal temple of humanity.

We find the names of Tubal Cain and Hiram Abiv, an epoch covering more than two thousand years of ancient history, linked together in the most impressive and important work of Masonry. The meaning of Tubal Cain is a *smith of metals*; he was a descendant of the inhuman Cain. From the text in Genesis, chapter 4 v. 24: "Behold, whosoever slayed Cain, it shall be avenged seven-fold," while the Hebrew commentators discourse: "Behold, whosoever slayeth Cain, *after seven generations* it shall be exacted from him. In support of this rendition they refer to the sentiments as used by Lamech, the sentence of Cain was executed by said Lamech, being of the seventh generation, who slew *that man*, and being blind, by accident also slew his son, Tubal Cain. The Bible is very particular in giving the names of his mother, Zillah, or protection, and of his sister, Naamah, or *the beautiful*, to illustrate the influence of women as to the moulding of the character of man and what it accomplished for the son and brother. By translating the three names we may read as follows: "Tubal Cain, the *smith of metals*, born of *protection*, and whose sister is the *beautiful*." As an artificer in all kinds of metals, he did not produce weapons of war, but agricultural implements, brought forth for the *protection* of human existence, and thereby closely related to the beautiful which adorns the soil. It was his noble vocation in those early days of primitive civilization to lay the corner stone of the temple of humanity which is *industry*, the basis of a useful and virtuous life on the field and at home. The life he lost in the discharge of that mission, and the tools intended to promote *peace* and *love*, *industry* and *home*, were perverted from their legitimate and godlike purposes and turned into instruments of torture and death, which destroyed his useful life. Hiram Abiv, likewise a descendant of an inferior race, "a Phœneclan," from Ham, the accursed son of Noah, both endowed with extraordinary genius for a grand mission in their respective ages, both died an unnatural, cruel death in the discharge of their vocations. King Solomon, guided by the traditions in connection with their histories, discovered a similarity in their lives and death, honoring the memory of both in associating their names with the most important work of Masonry, although he used instead of Hiram Abiv, the term *builder* or *architect*, the selection of which is very ingenious on account of its various meanings from its Hebrew root, which denote different appellations of distinction, namely, a son, a favorite, a follower, a champion, an adorer, a scholar, in-

*telligence personified, a builder or architect. One restored to a happier state, the change of his name was by King Solomon intended as an eulogy on Hiram Abiv. The Hebrew word used * * for builder or architect giving his age fifty-seven years.*

Solomon's beautiful eulogy of Hiram Abiv:

Give ear, O, ye brothers, and I will speak,
Hear the lamentations of Solomon.

1. Where is he—the *son*? The widow's son from Tyre's shore,
Called by Israel's king, a sojourner in his land?
The honored guest, a safe return to him was pledged,
Behold, here lies in the dust, his sovereign's promise,
Solomon's hospitality, praised in every land!
Broken art the vows of Israel's anointed king.

2. Where is he—the *favorite*? Yea, the three-fold favorite,
As brother *builder* and partner of my inner thoughts,
Send hither to build a house to the Father of all beings.
The favorite of Tyre's king, entrusted to my care,
The pledge of peace and friendship between Israel and Tyre;
Lost is the holy link to heaven fastened by oath and vow.

3. Where is he—the *follower* of the most holy One?
The stranger's son, nursed on Hebrew's breast, knew Israel's God,
Enlisted with their vanguard host, Naphtali's swift hind,
The deadly blow disturbed not his faith, firm as Horeb's rock.

4. Where is he—the *champion*, the hero of my honor and trust?
A single whisper from his mouth and his life was saved;
Even more precious than life is the martyr's crown!
Gratitude that fills my heart with thankfulness and love,
Can't impart one moment's joy to the champion of my trust!

5. Where is he—the *adorer* of my greatness and my wisdom?
God's grace to my father, David, to his servant given,
Greatness and wisdom are naught to wickedness and crime.
Their power can not frustrate the ruffian's dark plots.
The homage of my people was decreed by God,
The love of my adorer—his free-will offering,
More esteemed than heritage of diadem and crown!

6. Where is he—the *scholar*, the zenith of my throne on wisdom
reared?

Egypt's mystic arts displayed on pyramids and temples,
But ne'er revealed by their idolatrous priestly caste,
To him were known, to design his temples of Israel's God,
Their fame, their glory and their splendor to surpass,
Even like Israel's God, excels all of Egypt's gods.

7. Where is he—*Intelligence personified*? The genius
Endowed with the knowledge of sublime science and arts,
Combined the greater wisdom of virtue's law and practice!
At the intellectual court of Jessie's sprout of wisdom
E'en of Ophir's shore pours forth its exhaustless treasures;
No wisdom e'er excelled the wisdom of his virtuous heart.

8. Where is he—the *architect*? Inspiration lost its tongue
To sing the praise of the inspired builder of God's house.
All the days of yore his equal can not name;
Generations unborn may imitate his work;
Vain their efforts to build every part of God's house,
An attribute of virtue of the Lord Eternal!

9. "Why art thou disturbed, O my soul, and why art thou dis-
quieted?"

Wisdom falls at last its anointed King, justice to proclaim,
To offer thanks unbounded to faithfulness unsurpassed;
Faithfulness labors not for gain and aims not at reward.

10. Despondency and despair detract my heart and mind!
With him is lost the secret word of Master Mason's bond.
The agonies of my soul—oh, who can measure?
Lost the jewel, the mystic art of the worm Shanier
To build without a metal tool nor an unholy sound
In God's house may not be found destruction nor disturbance,
They shall not enter God's temple of eternal love and peace.

11. Mourn and weep, ye, who in future ages will construct
The house of prayer for all nations of the earth!
Masonry for ever a disconsolate widow shall be,
At the broken column of Beauty in sackcloth kneeling,
Bemoaning and grieving, lamenting and exclaiming:
"Oh Lord, my God, is there no help for the widow's son?"

12. Where is he? Restorer to a happier state!
Behold his immortal spirit lives! Hope, O my soul;
I with my fathers shall be gathered in the spirit land

And our spirits meet to sing the praise of God!
Rise, oh Judah's shield, whose strong grip of the lion's paw
Shall raise his mouldered body from out the grave;
Out of Judah Shiloh cometh, to restore the dead to life,
And the *fellowship* of man, made equal through the grave,
Establish that fellowship for all that sleepeth in the dust.
My spirit shall whisper in his ear that word which revealed
The promised restoration of his spirit and his body;
At resurrection time, that last word shall be spoken by his lips.
Then all mankind at Humanity's temple shall bow,
Universal peace and love shall rule and reign supreme,
All that breathe shall acknowledge one Lord and one Law,
The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

Note also at the opening of Solomon's dedication prayer this outburst against the wicked, his invocation for pardon as well as his imploration for reward to the just. Consider the cruel death of H. A., the noblest chief, "without receiving the least token of Solomon's gratitude. Bear in mind the sworn of a M. M. and mark these sentiments in said prayer: "He who trespasses against his neighbor, who has *sworn* an oath to keep, *and this oath made before thy altar in thy house.*" Notice furthermore, that wherever sacred writ speaks of the righteous, and more so of the reward due to the righteous, they invariably refer to the sainted dead. Like unto the eulogy on the word * *, closing with the consoling lesson of immortality, so in Solomon's dedication prayer seeking relief in contemplating these blessed prospects of the righteous. The horrors of the mind are appeased by the joys of hope revealed to the spirit, one of these, its highest revelation, as adopted by the founder of Masonry as the last and most important and impressive, "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." As to the doctrine of immortality or resurrection, we may not enter into religious or philosophical discussions, for arguments are inadequate for the mind to admit them as positive facts; they may be taught as articles of faith, and accepted as the inspiration of hope, dictated by a belief in the justice and mercy of an Eternal God. In this sense I venture to say they were understood by Solomon and the authors of the Bible, for in all the twenty-four books not a single precept can be found demanding their confession by the believers of the true God, nor can they be forced upon man even by the solemn..... of a Mason. The highest tendency of the spirit, manifesting more than any other of its faculties its divine origin, consists in the exercise

of the free will. If the previous state of the spirit or its future condition were known to man, such knowledge would conflict with that prerogative, and would influence man's conduct to such an extent that a free will in man would be impracticable. The grand lessons of Masonry, the moral strength of will power, "and the pathway to Humanity's temple," would be meaningless and absurd, because all our good intentions and moral deeds would be controlled by that positive knowledge of our former and future spiritual state.

When the body of H. A. was found, tradition tells us that Solomon prayed to the source of all spirits, illustrating that death does not affect what is purely spiritual; that even amidst death we can confess the justice and mercy of divine Providence. The exalted virtues of speculative Masonry, so well taught and practiced by our departed G. M., did not lose a single atom of their God-like merits from the time of his death to the present moment, and will continue to claim the admiration of all future generations, until time is no more. "And what has been and will ever be undying and immortal to the living myriads of M.....on earth, is likewise eternal and everlasting in the Universe."

As to the tradition, that with the death of H. A. the G. M. W. was lost, on account that it could not be given, unless in the presence of the three (3) Gr. M., we may well accept that this word was the Ineffable Name, consisting of three syllables, * * *, which only the high priest was permitted to pronounce once a year in the sanctum-sanctorium to make atonement for the people, and no one else could pronounce it in strict conformity with the injunction of the third commandment: "Thou shalt not take *the name* of * * * (the Lord) thy God in vain." Neither could Solomon have ever used it, unless as known through Hebrew tradition as still in vogue among the more pious of the ancient people when they allude to the ineffable name, to style it * * * by changing the vowels and transposing the letters, as was done by the three Gr. M., each to pronounce one of the syllables constituting the S. W. On account of the sudden death of one of the three, and their binding oath, it was impossible to pronounce it, and consequently it was lost for all future times, and so Solomon substituted another, to be given in like manner, and which would remind every M. M. of these facts and at the same time impart the greatest wonderwork of creation, *Immortality and Resurrection*. Human speech can not convey the wonderful transformation of spirit and body; it is an idealistic conception,

which no language can express; only a mere representation can be offered to mortal sight. Reason doubts it, Faith accepts it, Hope sustains it, Justice demands it, Humanity proclaims it. Immortality being the highest ideal of the spirit, it can, therefore, not be dictated, for the spirit in the exercise of God-like intelligence must remain free and untrammelled to work out for itself this divine problem, independent from all mundane, natural or religious influences, for it is superior to the faculties of reason, far above all rational demands to be prescribed as a confession of one's faith.

It is impossible for finite mind to elucidate the numerous and sublime lessons which Masonry inculcates. History and revelation, tradition and ancient records may impart much information, but all events for twenty-five centuries, with all its teachings of two thousand years previous from Tubal-Cain's time, can not be told. It comprises the whole government of divine intelligence, the highest ideals which led mankind to their present civilization. Even more than all the archives of the past can disclose, Masonry through its ceremonies unfolds the hidden mysteries of the future, the only solution of virtue's reward: Immortality and Resurrection.

Let us strive, therefore, to attain that moral strength of will power to successfully withstand all allurements from the path of duty, and aid in the establishment of God's kingdom on earth by the founding of the "Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man."

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

Brother R. W. Woodbury (86) presented the following, which, on motion of Brother J. M. Maxwell (51), was adopted as read, by a unanimous vote:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Memorial Exercises, upon the centennial anniversary of the death of Worshipful Brother General George Washington, respectfully report:

That they have had under consideration the references and recommendations made in the address of the M. W. Grand Master Tucker; and during the past year have continued in official correspondence with the Committee of Arrangements appointed by the M. W. Grand Lodge of Virginia.

The committee of the Grand Lodge of Virginia which was originally appointed to consider and report upon the invitation

of this Grand Lodge to take general charge of the memorial exercises, referred to it in their report as "properly the most illustrious and conspicuous undertaking" that the Grand Lodge of Virginia had ever been called upon to take part in. Their report, which was adopted, also contained the following:

"That the Grand Lodge of Colorado be fraternally thanked for inaugurating this matter, and that some duty in the programme be especially assigned to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of that Jurisdiction."

The Committee of Arrangements of the Grand Lodge of Virginia has forwarded to your Grand Master and to this committee the following proposed order of exercises:

**PROGRAMME, MASONIC SERVICES, DECEMBER 14, 1899,
AT THE TOMB OF BROTHER GENERAL GEORGE
WASHINGTON.**

The Grand Lodge of Virginia, Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, delegates and Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions, and invited guests, will proceed from Alexandria to Mount Vernon by electric cars leaving Alexandria at 9:30 o'clock a. m.

At Mount Vernon the bodies will form on the east side of the house, and proceed to the old vault by the same path and in the same order in which the procession was formed and moved on the day of General Washington's funeral, December 18, 1799. At the old vault the services will commence and be conducted as follows:

Solemn dirge by the band.

Prayer by Brother the Right Reverend A. M. Randolph, bishop of the diocese of Southern Virginia.

Music by an octette.

Address by the Grand Master of Colorado.

Procession will then move to the vault within which the earthly remains of General Washington and his wife now lie incased in marble tombs. The Grand Lodge will form in a circle around the vault, Grand Officers and Representatives of other Jurisdictions in front, Lodge No. 4 on the right and Lodge No. 22 on the left.

Masonic services at the tomb conducted by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, aided by the Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Vocal music.

Benediction.

The procession will then return to the east front of the mansion, where the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia will introduce the president of the United States, who will make an address to Masons and the general public, who will then be admitted to full participation in the ceremonies.

Hymn, "America," sung by all present, the band leading the music.

During the ceremonies minute guns will be fired from Fort Washington and from a United States war vessel to be stationed in the Potomac opposite Mount Vernon, in case permission can be obtained from the proper officials.

K. KEMPER,

Chairman,

J. B. SENER,

JNO. W. DANIEL,

MICAJAH WOODS,

A. R. COURTNEY,

Committee.

The Virginia committee has also furnished us with a printed account of the ceremonies which took place at Mount Vernon upon the death of Washington, and which we summarize as follows:

Washington died at twenty minutes past 10 on Saturday night, December 14, 1799.

On the succeeding Monday a funeral Lodge was held to make arrangements for the interment.

At an early hour on Wednesday, the 18th, the Masonic fraternity, under escort of the military and citizens of Alexandria, started from Mount Vernon, where they arrived about 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 3 the funeral procession moved in the following order:

The troops, horse and foot.

The clergy.

The general's horse (with saddle, holsters and pistols), led by two colored grooms.

Music.

Guard.

The body of Washington, which was borne on a bier by a detail of four Virginia lieutenants.

The pallbearers, consisting of officers of the Revolution, all members of Alexandria Lodge except one.

The principal mourners.

The corporation of Alexandria.

Alexandria Lodge No. 22.

Brooke Lodge No. 47 of Alexandria.

Federal Lodge No. 15 of Washington.

Upon arriving at the grave the services of the Episcopal church were conducted by the rector of Christ church of Alexandria, and the Masonic ceremonies by Dr. Elisha Cullen Dick, Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 22, and Rev. James Muir, Chaplain of the same Lodge.

During the exercises general discharges were fired by the infantry, cavalry and eleven pieces of artillery on the banks of the Potomac, back of the vault, and minute guns from a vessel in the stream.

From the programme arranged for the centennial memorial it will be observed that the procession, salutes and exercises are to follow as closely as practicable the original obsequies.

Your committee think it would verge upon a Masonic crime for any Grand Lodge in the United States to be unrepresented at the memorial ceremonies in honor of the Father of his Country, and whose Masonic influence, through the hundred years since his death, has recommended tens of thousands of good men to become Masons.

The presence of the several Grand Masters will be an official act, testifying to the love and affection of all the Free Masons of their respective Grand Jurisdictions, and as such it should be done at the expense of the Grand Lodges themselves.

The fame of Washington as a patriot and a Mason belongs to all the States in the Union, and not alone to Virginia, and so each Grand Lodge should feel it a duty as well as a pleasure to contribute from its means toward defraying the expense of the tribute of love and affection which Virginia is called upon to carry through.

Your committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That there is hereby appropriated from the grand treasury the sum of seventy-five dollars toward the expenses of the Washington Centennial Memorial exercises under the auspices of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Virginia, and the Grand Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant for the amount, and forward the same to R. W. Fred.

Pleasants, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, for the purpose herein stated.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to inform the chairman of the committee of the Grand Lodge of Virginia having the Washington Centennial Memorial exercises in charge, that should that committee's estimate of expenses be exceeded, this Grand Lodge will cheerfully contribute such additional pro rata as may be necessary.

Resolved, That there is hereby appropriated from the grand treasury such sum of money as may be required to pay the necessary expenses of the M. W. Grand Master or his Representative in attending the Washington Centennial Memorial exercises in behalf of this Grand Lodge and the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction; and that the Grand Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant for such sum as shall be certified to him for such purpose.

Resolved, That each Lodge in this Jurisdiction be and hereby is recommended to make such independent arrangements as to it may seem most appropriate for the observance of the 14th day of December, 1899, in their respective Lodge rooms, in memory of the exalted virtues and public and Masonic services of that brother who was "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

Fraternally submitted,

ROGER W. WOODBURY.
WILLIAM D. WRIGHT.
WILLIAM D. TODD.

PETITION OF DENVER LODGE NO. 5.

The following was read and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Denver, Colo., September 20, 1898.

To M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, A. F. and A. M.:

In accordance with resolution of Denver Lodge No. 5, A. F. and A. M., this Jurisdiction, we hereby request that this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge enact appropriate legislation permitting this Lodge to sell sixty life memberships at \$100 each, and for cash, for the purpose of paying off an indebtedness of the

Lodge, which is greatly retarding the progress of the Lodge, and for the payment of which indebtedness there seems to be no other available means.

GEO. F. DUNKLEE,
R. H. MALONE,
C. N. HOTCHKISS,
Committee.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER.

The following was read and ordered published with our Proceedings:

Pueblo, Colo., September 20, 1898.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Colorado:

In conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, I beg to submit my report as Grand Lecturer for the year now ended.

My visitations during the year have been as follows:

February 22. Euclid Lodge No. 64, at La Junta.

February 23. I met with Lamar Lodge No. 90, at Lamar, where I also met Brother D. W. Robinson, W. M. of Granado Lodge No. 72.

February 24. King Solomon Lodge No. 30, at Las Animas.

February 25. St. Johns Lodge No. 75, at Rocky Ford.

March 3. Colorado City Lodge No. 76, at Colorado City.

March 4. Manitou Lodge No. 68, at Manitou.

March 5. I met with the officers of El Paso Lodge No. 13, at Colorado Springs.

March 8. Victor Lodge No. 99, at Victor.

March 9. Mount Pisgah Lodge No. 96, at Cripple Creek.

March 10. Fremont Lodge No. 97, at Florence.

March 11. Eureka Lodge No. 66, at Coal Creek.

March 12 and 13. Salida Lodge No. 57, at Salida.

March 14. Mount Princeton Lodge No. 49, at Buena Vista.

March 15. Ionic Lodge No. 35 and Leadville Lodge No. 51, at Leadville.

March 16. Eagle Lodge No. 43, at Red Cliff.

March 17. Glenwood Lodge No. 65, at Glenwood Springs.

March 18. Spar Lodge No. 60 and Hiram Lodge No. 98, at Aspen.

March 19. Carbondale Lodge No. 82, at Carbondale.

March 20 and 21. Mesa Lodge No. 55, at Grand Junction.

March 22 and 23. Delta Lodge No. 62, at Delta.

March 24. Montrose Lodge No. 63, at Montrose.

March 25. Crystal Lodge No. 34, at Lake City.

March 26 and 27. Ouray Lodge No. 37, at Ouray.

March 28. Telluride Lodge No. 56, at Telluride.

March 29. Rico Lodge No. 79, at Rico.

March 30. Mancos Lodge No. 100, at Mancos.

March 31. Durango Lodge No. 46, at Durango.

April 1. Alamosa Lodge No. 44, at Alamosa.

April 2. La Veta Lodge No. 59, at La Veta.

April 7. South Pueblo Lodge No. 31, at Pueblo.

April 27 and 28. In company with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, officers and members of the Grand Lodge, I visited Pueblo Lodge No. 17 and Silver State Lodge No. 95, at Pueblo.

September 5. Golden City Lodge No. 1, at Golden, Colo.

I have also instructed Masters and members of Lodges who have called upon me at various times in Pueblo, and in a number of instances by letter.

On October 15, I visited Colorado Springs and examined Brother W. W. Williamson, who had been chosen Worshipful Master of a new Lodge at Colorado Springs and issued a certificate, of his proficiency.

On April 1, I examined Brother John G. Huntington, the proposed Worshipful Master of a Lodge to be organized at Del Norte, and issued a certificate of his proficiency.

On July 7, I issued a commission to Brother E. B. Darnell, of Craig, requesting and authorizing him to examine Brother William J. Breckel, the proposed Worshipful Master of a new Lodge to be opened at Yampa, Colo. On July 14, I received return to said commission from Brother Darnell, showing a compliance therewith and the issuance of a certificate of proficiency.

On August 1, I issued a commission to Brother W. V. Casey, Past Master of Boulder Lodge No. 45, authorizing him to examine Brother R. R. Gibbon, who had been recommended for appointment as Worshipful Master of a Lodge to be started at Ward, Colo. On August 20, Brother Casey made return to said commission showing a compliance therewith and the issuance of a certificate of proficiency.

I have endeavored during the year to secure, as near as possible, uniformity in all matters pertaining to Lodge work, and in all the Lodges which it was my pleasure to visit, I found the officers and members very careful and anxious to do the work

properly, and I am pleased to report the harmony manifested in the Lodges and the fraternal feeling and interest displayed by so many of the brethren.

I have faithfully endeavored to perform the duties imposed upon me, and trust that a fair measure of success has attended my labor.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you, most worshipful sir, for the honor you conferred upon me in my appointment, an honor which I thoroughly and keenly appreciate, and also the present and past Grand Officers with whom I have come in contact for their assistance and support, cheerfully and ungrudgingly tendered to me on every possible occasion. I also desire to express my appreciation of the many kindnesses extended to me by the officers and members of the Lodges I have visited, and to offer my sincere regrets that I have not been able to visit each and every Lodge in the Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK G. MIRICK,

Grand Lecturer.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Brother L. N. Greenleaf (5) submitted the Report on Correspondence, which was received and ordered published with our proceedings. (See Appendix.)

REPORT ON NECROLOGY.

Brother Greenleaf also submitted the following, which was adopted by unanimous vote:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Special Committee on Necrology would respectfully report the following:

It is fitting that we should pause in the midst of our deliberations and the inspection of the designs upon our grand trestle board, to pay a just tribute to the memory of our departed brethren.

Again hath the wing of the Dark Angel hovered over us, and its mournful shadow rests upon our portal. Upon the roll of our Past Grand Officers we seek in vain for a familiar name.

On July 4, 1898, the Nation's birthday, our beloved and venerable brother, John W. Widderfield, Past Deputy Grand Master,

died at his home at Trinidad, Colo., at the ripe age of seventy-two years. Such particulars of his life and Masonic history as were obtainable have already been embodied in the address of the Grand Master, and we do not deem it necessary to repeat them in this report.

He first made his appearance in this Grand Lodge as the Worshipful Master of King Solomon Lodge No. 30, at West Las Animas, representing his Lodge at the annual sessions of 1877, 1878 and 1879.

In 1878 he was appointed Senior Grand Steward, in 1879 and 1880 he was appointed Junior Grand Deacon, in 1881 he was elected Junior Grand Warden, in 1882 Senior Grand Warden, and in 1883 Deputy Grand Master. These offices he filled with credit to himself and honor to the Fraternity. Though in recent years we have missed his genial smile and presence among us, all who ever knew him will recall him as a just and upright Mason, a most companionable friend and associate, and he will live long in pleasant and honored memory. Having exemplified in his long and useful life the teachings and truths of Masonry, having ever faithfully endeavored to execute the designs of the Grand Architect, let us hope that when the working tools of life fell from his nerveless grasp, he passed on into the realms of bliss and light ineffable.

"There are no friends like the old friends,
To calm our frequent fears,
When shadows fall and deepen,
Through life's declining years:
And when our faltering footsteps
Approach the Great Divide,
We'll long to meet the old friends
Who wait the other side."

To the Subordinate Lodges of this Jurisdiction within whose tiled recesses has been heard the sound of lamentation for beloved Craftsmen, we tender our heartfelt sympathy.

"Gone in the long procession
That passes away to the night;
Gone, yea! forever and ever,
Gone from life's region of light.

"Out from the shadow of suffering,
Drifting across the dark main,
Into the brighter future,
Out from the gloom of the pain.

"Their glory of life has departed
Like sounds that float in the evening
When the chimes have ceased to ring."

As we view the sad memorials of our sister Grand Jurisdictions which have been placed in our hands, we realize more sensibly the solemn fact that

"The air is full of farewells to the dying and mournings for the dead."

And that

"All that tread
The globe are but a handful to the tribes
That slumber in its bosom."

We are painfully reminded that they, too, mourn the loss of beloved and distinguished Craftsmen, with many of whom, on account of their zealous labors for the Craft, we claim kinship, and feel it a precious privilege to mingle our tears with theirs and mourn with those who mourn.

"Resolved. That to the Grand Lodges of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Montana, North Dakota and Virginia we tender our profound and fraternal sympathy for the irreparable loss they have sustained in the death of distinguished Craftsmen."

The Grand Master having anticipated the recommendations of this committee concerning memorial pages, we most heartily endorse his suggestions for adoption with this report.

"In the City of Sleep on the hill
Falls the sunbeams, the shadows and showers,
Comes never a vision of ill,
And the years glide away like the hours;
For the sleepers reck not of the strife,
The sorrows and heartaches that fill
To o'erflowing the goblet of life,
In the City of Sleep on the hill.

"There the day time and night time are one,
The seasons of blossom and snow,
The light of the moon and the sun,
The gladness of earth and its woe!
We may garland their pillows with flowers
And water with tears if we will,
But they heed not such sorrows as ours
In the City of Sleep on the hill.

"O, the City of Sleep on the hill!
 'Tis a City of Refuge for all,
 Who, weary with struggle and ill,
 By the wayside are ready to fall;
 For Rest is the cry of the world—
 A cry that has never been still,
 And Rest has her banner unfurled
 O'er the City of Sleep on the hill."

Fraternally submitted,

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF.

A. T. HENRY, JR.

A. H. WILSON.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

Brothers E. H. Snyder (86), J. T. Little (15), E. B. Darnell (88) and S. C. Stover (96) were appointed to collect the votes.

The voting resulted in the election of:

HORACE T. DE LONG (55), Grand Junction.....G. M.
 ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51), Leadville.....D. G. M.
 JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15), Cañon City.....S. G. W.
 GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado Springs.....J. G. W.
 DARIUS A. BARTON (87), Denver.....G. Treas.
 ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Masonic Temple, Denver.....G. Sec.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO LAWS.

Brother F. A. Moss (26) offered the following, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved, That By-Law No. 126 be amended by adding the following words: "Or to attend divine service, but, any Lodge desiring to attend divine service shall, before doing so, make application for and secure a dispensation for this purpose, for which no fee shall be required."

Brother W. D. Todd (7) offered the following, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved, That section 1 of the By-Laws be amended by striking out the words "and each Lodge shall be entitled to three votes upon all questions before the Grand Lodge."

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

Wednesday, September 21, 1898.

10 o'clock a. m.

Grand Lodge resumed labor.

Deputy Grand Master DeLong in the East.

The Grand Secretary reported that he had received the returns and dues of Fremont Lodge No. 97.

REPORT ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Brother H. M. Orahood (11) presented the following:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence recommends the adoption of the following resolution: Resolved, That By-Law No. 126 be amended by adding the following words: "Or to attend divine service, but, any Lodge desiring to attend divine service shall, before doing so, make application for and secure a dispensation for this purpose, for which no fee shall be required."

We recommend the adoption of the resolution introduced by Brother Todd that the following words at the end of section 1 of the By-Laws be stricken out: "And each Lodge shall be entitled to three votes upon all questions before the Grand Lodge."

Your committee have carefully examined the resolution offered by a committee of Denver Lodge No. 5, asking permission to issue sixty life memberships. Under the legislation of this Grand Lodge as embodied in decision No. 188 positively prohibiting such action, we do not feel justified in recommending the adoption of this resolution, however much we may desire to assist this particular Lodge. In our opinion the practice of life membership is detrimental, and the law as it now stands should remain unchanged.

H. M. ORAHOOD,

W. D. PEIRCE,

W. T. BRIDWELL,

Committee.

The recommendation to amend By-Law No. 126 was rejected.

Brother B. L. Carr (23) offered the following as to section 1 of By-Laws:

We recommend that the resolution be not adopted, but in lieu thereof we recommend that the section be amended by adding thereto the following words: "including balloting for officers; to be cast by the Representative or Representatives present either in person or by proxy."

Brother Carr's amendment was rejected.

The committee's report as to said section No. 1 was rejected.

The committee's report as to the resolution presented by Denver Lodge No. 5 was adopted.

REPORT ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Brother Orahood also presented the following, which was considered by paragraphs:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully report:

We have carefully examined the report of the decisions made by the Grand Master during the past year, and find the following in accordance with the law and former decisions approved by this Grand Lodge:

Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16. We recommend the same be approved.

We do not think personal service of summons is required, as decided by decision number 6. In our opinion personal service in ordinary cases would be impracticable, and a service by mail would be more certain and answer every requirement. We therefore recommend that this decision, so far as it relates to personal service, be not approved.

We do not approve decision No. 11. We do not deem it improper at a regular communication to close on the Third Degree and resume labor on a preceding degree when work is to be done. On the contrary, we are of the opinion that this is the legal, proper and ordinary manner of conducting the proceedings. We recommend the decision be not approved.

The special dispensations issued, we recommend be approved.

The By-Laws approved seem to be proper and in accordance with Masonic law, and we recommend their approval.

From an examination of the papers and correspondence relating to the will and estate of Brother Charles Adams, deceased, we are of the opinion that this Grand Lodge has no interest in the matter, and that there is nothing further to be done.

We are not sufficiently informed to report on the questions of our relations with Peru, Belgium and Mexico, and recommend that the same be referred to the Committee on Masonic Correspondence with the request to examine the same and report fully at our next Annual Communication.

The recommendation of the Grand Master to adopt a uniform Code of By-Laws, we suggest be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for the coming year, with instructions to report at our next Annual Communication the advisability of such action.

H. M. ORAHOOD,
W. D. PEIRCE,
W. T. BRIDWELL,
Committee.

Brother E. L. N. Foster (84) offered the following amendment, to take the place of decision No. 2:

It is only permissible to hold communications of a Lodge in two different municipalities when specifically authorized so to do.

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Wednesday, September 21, 1898.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor.

Deputy Grand Master DeLong in the East.

JURISPRUDENCE REPORT CONSIDERED.

The amendment to decision No. 2 offered by Brother Foster was lost.

The first paragraph of the report was adopted as presented.

The paragraph as to decision No. 6 was not adopted, and said decision No. 6 was approved as rendered by the Grand Master.

The paragraph relating to decision No. 11 was adopted.

The rest of the report was then adopted as presented.

REPORT ON RETURNS AND WORK.

CHARTER GRANTED.

The Committee on Returns and Work presented the following, which was adopted, and a Charter ordered issued, and dispensations continued as therein recommended:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges U. D. have had under consideration the dispensations issued by the M. W. Grand Master, the records of Tejon Lodge U. D., the petition for Charter, By-Laws, etc., etc.

The returns from said Lodge U. D., located at Colorado Springs, El Paso county, Colo., show that the dispensation was dated December 16, 1897, to forty brethren, since which time

they have held eighteen communications, initiated, passed and raised one.

Their records and all papers submitted are in good shape, with the exception of the wording of some parts of the minutes (notes of which have been made where required), and a few additions and changes therein, which, in the opinion of your committee, are advisable.

We therefore recommend that a Charter be issued to said Lodge under the name and designation of Tejon Lodge No. 104, with

Brother W. W. Williamson, W. M.

Brother Horace H. Mitchell, S. W.

Brother Charles H. Dudley, J. W.

And the following brethren:

Alexander J. Smith.

Laurence L. Johnson.

Eugene A. Hyde.

Alonzo E. Reed.

Brooks Irlone.

Julius Albinus Sill.

Richard Ashby.

Lynn S. Atkinson.

James W. Atkinson.

James Beshears.

William R. Barnes.

John I. Bourne.

John G. Bourne.

William R. Coe.

Justus R. Friedline.

Howard E. Gates.

Frederick G. Hayner.

Alvaro Hemenway.

William B. Jenkins.

Truman C. Link.

John P. Madden.

William A. McWhorter.

James F. Maybury.

Charles I. Miller.

John T. Reed.

George H. Randall.

S. Ben. Smith.

James Simpson.

Gus. Stainsky.

James W. Scott.

Frank S. Scott.

Frank N. Strong.

Geo. B. Turnbull.

Henry LeB. Wills.

Bramley Whitehead.

James Wymore.

E. P. Hufferd.

W. W. Atkinson.

Referring to Tyrian Lodge U. D., Del Norte, Colo., and Egeria Lodge U. D., at Yampa, Colo., we find in each case they have not complied with the Grand Lodge regulations, inasmuch as they have not had opportunity to confer the three degrees, as required by law, since the reception of dispensations, and therefore recommend that the dispensation in each case be continued until the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

G. W. ROE.

D. A. BRADBURY.

M. H. DEAN.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The following was presented and adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

The Finance Committee beg leave to report that it has examined the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and find them correct, and find as follows:

Amount on hand last report.....	\$ 6,899 72
Collected during this year.....	8,864 67
Total	\$15,764 39
Expended as per vouchers.....	7,249 08
Leaving balance of.....	\$ 8,515 31

LIBRARY FUND.

Amount on hand last report.....	\$ 1,257 50
Received during the year.....	51 00
Total	\$ 1,308 50
Expended as per voucher.....	12 00
Leaving balance of.....	\$ 1,296 50

In regard to that part of the Grand Secretary's report referring to the failure of Lodges to comply with By-Law No. 36, we would recommend that the Grand Secretary notify any Lodge so failing, and such Lodge or Lodges further neglecting to comply with said By-Law, that the Grand Secretary report same to the M. W. Grand Master, that he use his authority to compel compliance.

Regarding the matter of James Kime, erroneously reported deceased by El Paso No. 13, in 1875, it is the opinion of your committee that the amount due the Grand Lodge by El Paso No. 13, for Grand Lodge dues on this brother as per the Grand Secretary's report, should be paid.

B. L. JAMES,
FRANK J. HOLMES,
JOHN G. HUNTINGTON,
Finance Committee.

Also the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

We your committee to whom was referred that portion of the M. W. Grand Master's address relative to appointing agents

at Del Norte, Alamosa and Tin Cup, and all matters pertaining to said property; recommend that these matters be left to the management of the Most Worshipful Grand Master-elect.

In regard to the Crissey note we would advise that the Grand Master's recommendations respecting same be followed.

B. L. JAMES,
FRANK J. HOLMES,
JOHN G. HUNTINGTON,
Finance Committee.

H. P. H. BROMWELL.

Past Grand Master Henry P. H. Bromwell (5) was called upon, and made a short but eloquent address to the Grand Lodge.

APPOINTMENT OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Brother L. N. Greenleaf (5), for committee, presented the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Correspondence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address referring to commissions issued to Grand Representatives near other Grand Jurisdictions, would fraternally recommend that the same be concurred in.

Fraternally submitted,
LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF.
JOSEPH D. TOWER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Brother W. L. Bush (26) presented the following, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to commissions appointed, beg leave to report as follows:

In the case of Del Norte Lodge No. 29 vs. Brother J. O. Chase, your committee have carefully examined the evidence,

the findings of the commission, as well as other papers in the case, and recommend that the charges be dismissed.

In the matter of the reinstatement of Brother R. C. Nisbet, who had been suspended for non-payment of dues by Del Norte Lodge No. 29, your committee recommend that the action of the Grand Master be approved. Your committee further recommend that in the future, where application for reinstatement is made to the Grand Master, that same be referred to the Grand Lodge for final action.

WM. L. BUSH.

LAWRENCE M. MILLER.

H. A. WOODWORTH.

THANKS.

Brother L. M. Miller (55) offered the following, which was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to Denver Lodge No. 5 for their exemplification of the work in the Third Degree on last evening, and the pleasant entertainment of the members of the Grand Lodge afterwards.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MONUMENT.

Brother John Gregor (5) presented the following, which was discussed and referred to a special committee, to report at our next annual.

The Deputy Grand Master appointed M. W. Grand Master Cromwell Tucker (5), Past Grand Master William D. Wright (84) and the Grand Secretary (48) as said committee.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado:

We, your special committee appointed to act upon the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master to erect a suitable monument to the memory of M. W. Brother John Milton Chivington, our first Grand Master, would respectfully recommend that we approve of the recommendation made by the Grand Master

to erect a monument upon the resting place of our distinguished brother, whose memory we revere, and that the sum of \$250 be appropriated by the Grand Lodge for said purpose, and that a committee be appointed by the M. W. Grand Master for the purpose of having a suitable monument prepared and placed upon the grave of our deceased brother.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN GREGOR,

ED. C. PARMELEE,

Committee.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The following list of appointed officers was read:

ELEAZER W. SIBBALD (15), Cañon City.....G. Chaplain
 JAMES R. KILLIAN (27), Walsenburg.....G. Orator
 FRANK G. MIRICK (31), Golden.....G. Lecturer
 GEORGE T. COOPER (5), Amethyst.....G. Marshal
 MARSHALL H. DEAN (65), Glenwood Springs.....S. G. D.
 HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56), Telluride.....J. G. D.
 LUTHER H. WYGANT, JR. (86), Highlands Station, Den-
 ver.....S. G. S.
 LAWRENCE M. MILLER (55), Grand Junction.....J. G. S.
 THOMAS LINTON (5), Denver.....G. Tiler

INSTALLATION.

Past Grand Master Lawrence N. Greenleaf (5) installed the elected and appointed officers who assumed their respective stations.

Brother DeLong, the newly installed Grand Master, addressed the Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The following report was read and adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

We would recommend that the following amounts be appropriated:

To the Committee on Correspondence.....	\$ 200 00
For postage and incidentals.....	200 00
Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary, for extra incidentals past year	37 45
Thomas Linton, Grand Tiler.....	25 00
G. W. Emery, janitor.....	15 00
P. C. Johnson, elevator.....	10 00
Fireman	6 00
Pay roll.....	1,807 45
Total	\$ 2,100 90

B. L. JAMES,
FRANK J. HOLMES,
JOHN G. HUNTINGTON,
Finance Committee.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL.

M. W. Grand Master presented Past Grand Master Cromwell Tucker with a Past Grand Master's jewel, for which Brother Tucker returned thanks in appropriate terms.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Grand Master appointed the following standing committees:

ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Harper M. Orahood (11).....Denver
James H. Peabody (15).....Cañon City
William D. Peirce (7).....Denver

ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Lawrence N. Greenleaf (5).....Denver
John F. Chrystal (40).....Pitkin
J. H. Halley (63).....Delta

ON RETURNS AND WORK OF LODGES U. D.

Cromwell Tucker (5).....Denver
Frank P. Secor (23).....Longmont
Harry S. Walls (30).....Las Animas

ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

William L. Bush (26).....Idaho Springs
 J. H. Crary (45).....Boulder
 H. W. Woodward (51).....Leadville

ON FINANCE, MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

Benjamin L. James (7).....Denver
 George W. Keesey (32).....Saguache
 Edward J. Smith (13).....Colorado Springs

MINUTES READ.

The minutes were read and approved.

CLOSED.

The Grand Lodge was then closed in Ample Form.

HORACE T. DE LONG,
 Grand Master.



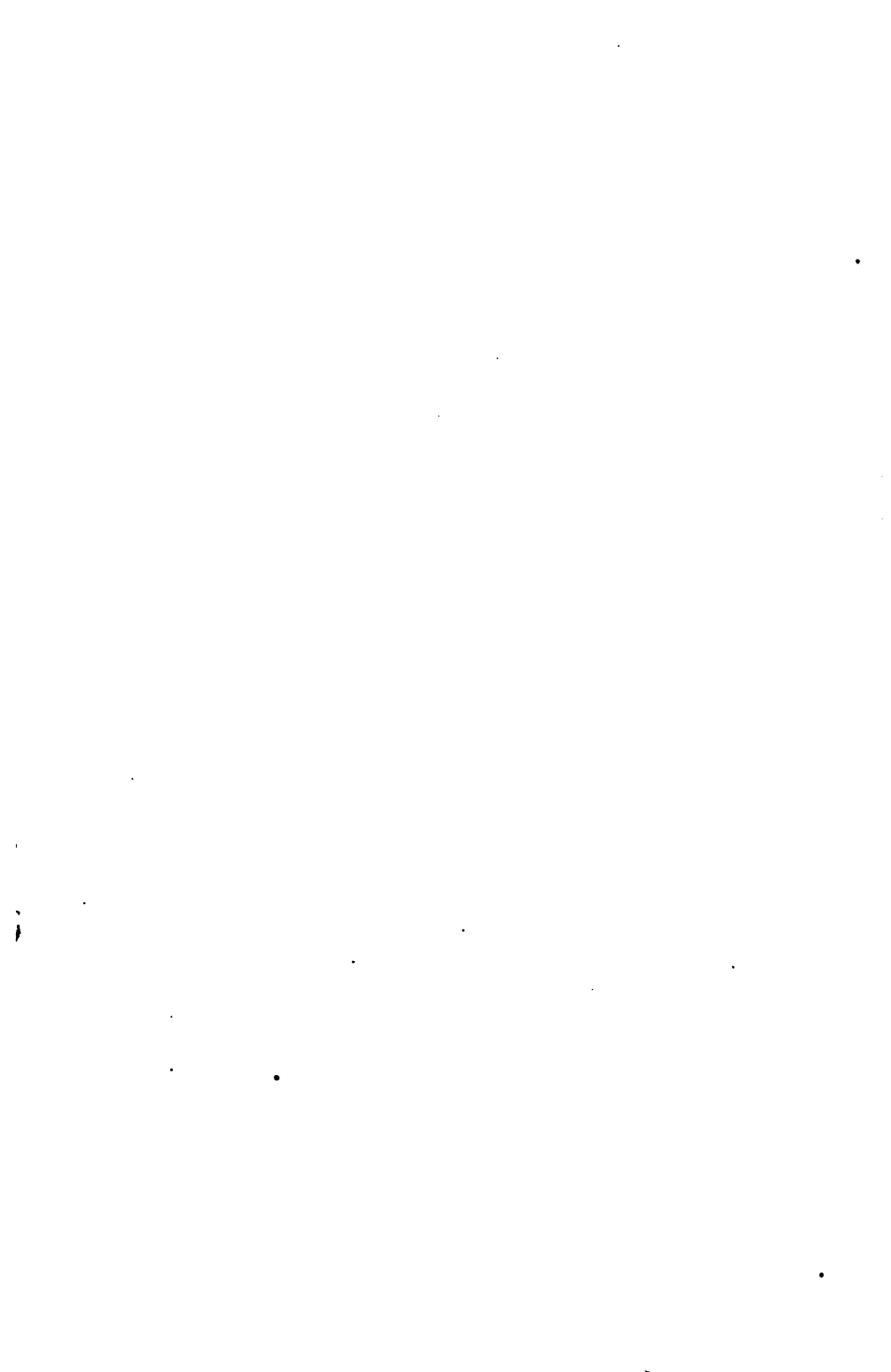
Attest:

E. C. Parmelee
 Grand Secretary.

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Report on Correspondence.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith presents the following report:

We have aimed to condense as far as practicable, and to avoid sameness of detail and repetition of routine in the Proceedings under review.

We have received from the Grand Secretary the Proceedings of the following Grand Lodges, fifty-eight in number; some of them being for two years:

Alabama	1897	Nebraska	1897
Arizona	1897	Nevada	1898
Arkansas	1897	New Brunswick.....	1897
British Columbia	1897-1898	New Hampshire.....	1898
California	1897	New Jersey.....	1898
Canada	1897	New Mexico.....	1897
Connecticut	1898	New South Wales.....	1897
Delaware	1897	New York.....	1898
District of Columbia....	1897	New Zealand.....	1897
England	1897-1898	North Carolina.....	1898
Florida	1898	Nova Scotia	1897
Georgia	1897	Ohio	1897
Idaho	1897	Oklahoma	1898
Illinois	1897	Oregon	1898
Indiana	1898	Pennsylvania	1897
Indian Territory	1897	Prince Edward Island....	1898
Iowa	1898	Quebec	1898
Kansas	1898	Rhode Island	1897
Kentucky	1897	South Carolina.....	1897
Louisiana	1898	South Dakota.....	1898
Maine	1898	Tasmania	1897
Manitoba	1898	Tennessee	1898
Maryland	1897	Texas	1897
Massachusetts	1897	Utah	1898
Michigan	1898	Vermont	1898
Minnesota	1898	Virginia	1897
Mississippi	1898	West Virginia	1897
Missouri	1897	Wisconsin	1898
Montana	1897	Wyoming	1897

ALABAMA.

Seventy-seventh Annual, December, 1897.

Grand Master James A. Bilbro desiring to inform himself as to the laxity of discipline in the Lodges concerning profanity, drunkenness and other vices, addressed a letter of inquiry to each, with the result that about one-half made reply, exhibiting a clean record in this respect. The others, it is to be inferred, did not wish to disclose their "sins of omission," and neglected to answer. The action of these latter Lodges is made the text wherewith to "point a moral" as to the practice of the Masonic virtues and not merely their idle profession.

He presents a list of fifty-nine decisions upon the correctness of which the Committee on Jurisprudence will report at the next annual. In Nos. 5 and 8 he fails to hold the scales of justice in equal poise:

(5) Where a brother is suspended for non-payment of dues and is subsequently reinstated, the Lodge does not owe the Grand Lodge dues during the time of such suspension.

(8) Dues continue to accrue against one after his suspension for non-payment of dues.

A "distinction without a difference," as you will readily perceive. We have always taken issue with the principle involved in No. 8. It is manifestly unjust to charge a brother with dues during the period of his suspension, and the practice can not be successfully defended.

We quote the following:

(23) One who can not read nor write is not disqualified on that account from holding the office of Worshipful Master.

The above is a most remarkable deliverance in this day of free schools and enlightened progress. A W. M. who can not read the Constitution, By-Laws and edicts of his Grand Lodge, the By-Laws and records of his Lodge; who can not sign a warrant, diploma or dimit, or tell a petition from a certificate of stock, posing as the personification of wisdom in the oriental chair, is enough to excite the risibles of a chronic dyspeptic. In

the Dark Ages he might have been "the first among his equals," but in the electric glare of to-day he is a back number and should be granted leave to withdraw without prejudice, but with justice tempered with indignation at his presumption.

He recommends the appointment of a committee to coöperate with the Grand Lodge of Virginia in the Washington memorial observance, which was concurred in by the Grand Lodge.

He devotes several pages to the subject of a Masonic Home, citing those established in other Jurisdictions by way of illustration, concluding with recommendations for the establishment of a Masonic Home in Alabama, which were adopted. The statistics submitted in connection with this portion of his address showed that in 218 Lodges out of 390, there were twenty brethren, fifty widows and one hundred orphans who were not being properly supported by the Lodges in whose Jurisdiction they reside, nor the orphan children being educated, because the brethren are not financially able to do the work. In the 170 Lodges not heard from he infers that there is a like condition existing.

Brother Pillans, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted a communication from the Grand Master of the Grand Orient of Italy, setting forth the purpose of the Anti-Masonic Congress held at Trente, to wage war on Masonry, etc, together with Brother Pillans' conservative reply, both of which were ordered printed with the Proceedings.

On the second day of the session the corner stone of the Masonic Temple at Montgomery was laid by the officers of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge refused to concur in the Wisconsin relief proposition.

The Committee on Work submitted the following resolution concerning Masonic burial, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the decision of M. W. Grand Master on the burial service be so modified that, in cases where it is reasonably impracticable and inconvenient to perform such service at the time of the interment of a deceased brother, it may be done as soon thereafter as practicable; but that this resolu-

tion shall not warrant the wilful or careless neglect of performing the service at the time of the burial."

Past Grand Master Palmer J. Pillans presents a valuable Report on Correspondence of 150 pages, reviewing the Proceedings of fifty-six Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1896 among the number. Extracts from the address, of Grand Master Peirce, Past Grand Master H. P. H. Bromwell's address on behalf of Grand Representatives, and the reports of committees are given due prominence.

James A. Bilbro, Gadsden, reelected Grand Master; H. Clay Armstrong, Montgomery, reelected Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

Sixteenth Annual, November, 1897.

Grand Master William F. Nichols reports having visited all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction, some fourteen in number, and that he found them in good condition, both financially and otherwise, the gain in membership being forty-eight.

Brother Morris Goldwater, the Committee on Washington Memorial Observance, submitted a communication from the Colorado committee, and in accordance with the recommendation therein contained the Grand Lodge will ask each constituent Lodge to arrange to hold memorial services on December 29, 1899.

The Grand Dieta of Mexico was recognized.

On the second day the Grand Lodge marched to the cave of the Copper Queen mine, where a session was held for the purpose of receiving the Grand Representatives from sister Grand Jurisdictions. As this meeting was of an unusual and historical character, we surrender our space for the following interesting description of the same:

"Clothed in white gloves and aprons the two hundred men in line made an imposing appearance as they marched from the Lodge to the hoisting works from which they were to descend into the mines and cave. In the line of march the Grand Lodge were in the rear, but on reaching the works the column halted,

opened ranks and the Grand Lodge passed through, and were, of course, the first to enter the mine. They were scientifically stood on the cage a half dozen at a time, when down they went about two hundred feet in a second to the level by which the cave was reached. Then began the long march in single file through the winding, angling tunnel, which was illuminated the entire distance by candles set about ten feet apart, and each turn and cross-cut carefully guarded by Masons, who are employed in the mine, till at length the individual passed through a temporary door into a scene of inexpressible splendor and beauty—the illuminated cave. The figure, the strength, the symmetry, the polished alabaster, the glittering wealth of gold and jewels of King Solomon's temple were here dazed and dimmed into insignificance by the brilliancy, the abounding wealth of exquisite forms of beauty, the majestic splendor of huge abutments literally covered by the most delicate tracery, the flash of a million jewels; the bold outline forms of grandeur and strength, clothed in glittering delicate chiseling, such as no human hand has ever wrought, the stupendous dome of the mountains above borne upon those noble and beautiful pillars, and all fresh from the hand of the Supreme Grand Architect of the Universe, filled one with the overwhelming emotions of surprise, of delight, of adoration.

"Stalactites from the size of a drop of water to that of the giant tusks of some antediluvian monster hung suspended from the roof, and beneath the white glare of the electric light they danced and shimmered like icicles in the sun. Singly and in cluster, some in blue and some in white, of all lengths and shapes, these stalactites cover the roof, while among them in labyrinthine irregularity glitters the crystal ooze.

"On the north side, almost opposite to where the cave was first broken into, the line, God has created the fairest creatures of his handiwork, and what King Solomon wrought in years were here fashioned in a single night; but a night that knew no day, nor the sound of axe, hammer or tool of iron till the operative workman, agreeably to the designs drawn upon the trestle board, revealed its hidden treasures. Here are the steps, the pot of incense, the bee-hive, the hour-glass and waterfall. The steps, whiter than Parian marble, lead upward and into an unexplored beyond; the bee-hives, apparently made from great coils of alabaster rope, are from two to ten feet in diameter and six feet high. East of these is the waterfall, stayed midway in its descent by some hypnotic hand; white and awe-inspiring in its silent grandeur is this seemingly stilled torrent

of foaming waters that ere it slept had dashed its spray on hummocks of ice in a thousand fantastic shapes sparkled in the light. There are curtains and veils behind which no man may enter, woven white and transparent in the cimmerian darkness. The whole aspect of the cave is one of entrancing and bewildering loveliness, and he who can gaze without awe upon the grand scene has no beauty in his soul.

"The cave, which is probably one hundred and fifty by two hundred and fifty feet in dimensions, and an extreme height of about one hundred feet from the lowest to the highest point, was lighted by electricity. Eighteen thousand feet of wire have been used for the purpose, and one hundred and thirty-five lamps were used, some of them one hundred candle power. In the east hung a brilliant letter G, three feet in height, and studded by thirty-five electric lights of sixteen-candle power, a thing of beauty and joy in itself. In the vast space overhead the lights formed a great square and compass, the distance between the points of the extended compass being one hundred feet and the length of each leg being one hundred and thirty feet. A sufficient portion of the cave for the use of the Masons had been floored and seated, and there beneath that great dome, seventy feet overhead, and surrounded by such glitter, such beauty, such strength, such overwhelming sense of location, such nearness and such a dependence upon the immediate handiwork of the Grand Master Mason of all, the Grand Lodge of Arizona was called on by the M. W. Grand Master."

No Report on Correspondence.

Joseph B. Creamer, Phoenix, Grand Master; Geo. J. Roskrue, Tucson. Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

Fifty-eighth Annual, November, 1897.

The address of Grand Master C. C. Ayres embodies the reports of the District Deputies and gives a very full exhibit of the condition of Masonry in that Jurisdiction. The growth, while slow, is of a more substantial character than formerly, though there are still some abuses reported of a startling character. For instance, one Lodge adopted the plan of charging \$25 for the degrees, with the understanding that \$10 of the same

was to be returned. Another initiated five candidates upon credit, to be paid "No one knew when." In both these cases the Lodges were compelled to correct these abuses, and in the latter make good the fees and pay the same to the Secretary.

The Grand Master reports having answered 275 letters on Masonic questions, and of these twenty-one were submitted as decisions. Six were disapproved.

He pays a tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master James M. Harkey, who was one of the pillars of Free Masonry in that Jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary reports Mount Zion Lodge No. 10, of Batesville, as the banner Lodge for the year, with a net gain of fifteen members.

The Board of Control report a falling off in the revenues of the Masonic Temple. To provide for the same the fees are to be increased upon their recommendation, as follows: Three dollars for each initiation, \$2 for each passing, and \$2 for each raising, the same to be sent to the Grand Secretary as soon as the degrees are conferred, four-sevenths to be applied to the payment of the Temple debt and three-sevenths for Temple expenses. The Constitution was also amended so that the Grand Lodge shall hold biennial sessions until the Temple debt is paid.

Brother S. T. Rowe, Grand Orator, delivered a fine address, having for its theme: "Free Masonry as a moral institution." Two Lodges were authorized to mortgage their property upon the express condition that the Grand Lodge assumes no liability whatever.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That hereafter whenever the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge shall make a decision or ruling such as will come before the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage, he shall as soon as he makes such decision or ruling, transmit a copy thereof to the Masonic Trowel for publication for the information of the committee.

The Grand Dieta of Mexico was recognized and fraternal relations entered into with the Grand Orient of Portugal.

From the synopsis of returns a loss of 341 in membership has taken place during the year, the present total membership being 12,678. There are 444 Lodges, of these 156 did no work.

Brother A. B. Grace writes a most entertaining Report on Correspondence, largely prepared after it was ascertained that the chairman of the committee had been prevented from writing the report through press of other engagements. Colorado for 1896 receives a fraternal review at his hands. The address of Grand Master Peirce is found to be "excellent and comprehensive." He has this to say regarding decision No. 14:

Among the decisions given, the fourteenth is novel and peculiar. He holds that when a brother is suspended for non-payment of dues he can only be reinstated by, first, paying all dues; second, "regularly petition the Lodge for reinstatement and the petition must lie over one lunar month before ballot; third, a two-thirds vote of all the members present must be favorable, to reinstate." "If the Lodge refuses to reinstate him, his status is that of a suspended Mason." This is no doubt all right according to the peculiar By-Laws of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, but it is pretty tough on the impecunious brother who gets on the wrong side of the Secretary's books.

We ourselves believe that great injustice may be done a brother under our Grand Lodge By-Law. It should be modified.

J. B. Baker, Melbourne, Grand Master; Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Twenty-sixth Annual, June, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Alex. Charleson is short and confined to a record of his official acts. The condition of the Craft is reported to be peaceful, prosperous and progressive. He announces the deaths of Brother H. F. Heisterman, Past Grand Treasurer, and M. W. Brother Marcus Wolfe, P. G. M., and late chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Five decisions were submitted, four of which were

approved and one referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence to report next year.

He had authorized the Grand Secretary to issue a circular to the Lodges on behalf of the famine sufferers in India, with the result that \$314 had been forwarded for their relief.

The address of the Deputy Grand Master and the reports of the District Deputies for the first, second, fifth and sixth districts supplement the Grand Master's address, and convey valuable information as to the condition of the Craft and also exhibit close attention to the duties of their respective offices.

On the evening of the first day the Grand Lodge attended divine service and listened to an appropriate and eloquent sermon by V. W. Brother John A. Logan, Grand Chaplain, who took for his text 1 Kings, vii., 22: "And upon the top of the pillars was lily work."

The Wisconsin relief proposition was, after a full discussion, rejected.

On the evening of the second day, the Grand Lodge attended a sumptuous banquet at Mount Baker hotel.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Brothers W. A. DeWolfe-Smith and A. R. Milne, as successors to the late chairman. Colorado for 1896 receives a very appreciative review of three pages, in which the salient features of Grand Master Peirce's address are commended and the business of the session and reports of committees are given due consideration and referred to with approval.

E. D. McLaren, Vancouver, Grand Master; W. J. Quinlan, Victoria, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Twenty-seventh Annual, June, 1898.

The Grand Master, Rev. E. D. McLaren, gives an explicit and concise account of his stewardship. Harmony had prevailed to such an extent that he was not called upon to settle any contention. He rendered but one decision as to residence, which was approved. He had paid official visits to eighteen of the twenty-four Lodges and was thus enabled to report their condition

from personal observation. The Deputy Grand Master reports having visited some fifteen Lodges, some of them in company with the Grand Master. The reports of the District Deputies supplement these, so that there is no lack of information as to the state of Masonry in that Grand Jurisdiction. While the reports are generally of a favorable character, there are some few exceptions in the case of individual Lodges. From the report of Brother F. McB. Young, the Deputy of the fifth district, we extract the following as worthy of careful consideration and reflection:

I regret to note that the Masonry which has come under my observation is, in some instances, fast degenerating into a mere mechanical routine. Some of the brethren have sunk into a lethargy. At times they are a little roused, by the initiation, passing or raising of a candidate, but it is only momentary. On the regular night of meeting a few of the faithful will assemble, read and adopt the minutes, transact some routine business and close. This is varied from time to time by the introduction of degree work. You will see many examples of the following: A newly-made Mason, eager for truth and light, will attend every meeting and participate in every ceremony, for, perhaps, six months. You will then notice his occasional absence, and finally, he ceases to attend. The reason of this is not far to seek. He imagines himself a Mason, but knows nothing of its principles or teachings. He tires of the routine. It has become monotonous. The novelty has worn off, and with it his interest, which was created and sustained by that novelty, ceases. The remedy for this is Masonic education. The brethren must be taught to read, study and think for themselves, until such time as each and every one can give a reason for the faith that is in him. A man's interest in a subject can invariably be measured by his knowledge of it. Increase the knowledge and you will have a proportion increase of interest.

I would like to see, connected with every Lodge in this province, a reading room, fully equipped with proper Masonic literature. It would also, in my opinion, be a long step in the right direction, if, at every regular meeting of a Lodge, some part of the history, principles and teachings of Free Masonry were debated and discussed—anything to increase knowledge and arouse interest. Again, there seems to be a growing tendency to shift the entire work on the shoulders of the officers. This arises from lack of interest. In the words of an eminent

divine, "We are all called to do something—to carry stones or timber to the building, to dig stones out of the quarry, or to hew and square the wood." Let no brother's Masonic life be such as will compel him to admit, "I never did anything, I never gave anything towards the carrying on of that glorious building, which is the joy, the admiration of all."

With but twenty-four chartered Lodges and a total membership of 1,339, the Proceedings are a marvel of excellence in their typographical appearance. Of the 286 pages in the volume, 194 are assigned to the Report on Correspondence. The Lodges expended in relief to members, \$506.30; to widows and orphans, \$123.50, and to transient brethren, \$424.60, truly a most commendable showing.

The Grand Lodge voted to refund to the Lodges the amount expended by them for relief of transient brethren.

On the evening of the first day of the session, divine service was held in the Lodge room, a most eloquent and instructive sermon being delivered by V. W. Brother J. A. Logan, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Lodge adopted the following amendment to the Constitution, to be known as 204A:

"Every brother shall prove his proficiency in the Master Mason's Degree as soon as possible after the same has been conferred."

Brother W. A. DeWolfe-Smith presents his second Report on Correspondence, which takes high rank among such productions and is a credit to his Grand Lodge. Colorado for 1897 receives appreciative consideration. Grand Master Roe's address is epitomized, Brother Johnson's oration found to be "able and interesting," and the general business of the session passed in review. In referring to the recommendation of the Grand Lecturer for the passage of a law requiring every brother raised to the Third Degree to pass an examination in open Lodge in the work of that degree within a specified time, he says:

We would offer the Grand Lodge of Colorado the advice given by Punch to those about to get married—"Don't."

His advice proved to be a boomerang, as his own Grand Lodge went and "did it," as shown above.

David Wilson, Victoria, Grand Master; W. J. Quinlan, Nelson, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

Forty-eighth Annual, October, 1897.

Grand Master William T. Lucas congratulates the brethren upon the fact that Masonry in that Grand Jurisdiction has felt the vivifying touch of prosperity. It reached over a vast area to place its beneficent hand upon the Pacific shore. While our brethren there are rejoicing, let them not be forgetful of the fact that a multitude of others are sighing, "O, for a touch of that vanished hand!"

He has the mournful announcement to make of the death of three Past Grand Masters, Clay Webster Taylor, Nathaniel Greene Curtis and Alvah Russell Conklin, to whose memories he pays tender tributes. All were buried under the auspices of the Grand Lodge, the impressive services of the Fraternity being conducted by the Grand Master.

He granted six dispensations for new Lodges and issued several special dispensations. He laid six corner stones, the proposed structures being two Masonic Temples, two court houses and two school buildings.

He reports the following:

On December the 5th, 1896, I received a letter from Brother M. J. Savage, W. M. of Occidental Lodge, requesting that the Lodge be allowed to decorate its altar with the American flag. Without giving the matter serious thought, and being in a patriotic mood, I granted the request. Since then, having seriously considered the question, I am compelled to confess that I am of the opinion that I erred in so doing. I believe that the best interests of Masonry will be subserved by not allowing such permission.

Upon which the Committee on Jurisprudence comment as follows:

We concur with the Grand Master in his amended decision. His reconsideration of the permission granted was wise and timely. All Masons owe allegiance to God, but the political allegiance of our Masonic brethren is as varied as the powers and principalities of earth. The Great Lights on our altars are the mystic symbols of our loyalty to the nation, and *blue* is the distinctive color of the three symbolic degrees. There is no Masonic authority for the practice and we recommend its discontinuance.

Six formal decisions were submitted, two of which were modified.

In regard to the Widows' and Orphans' Home, he says there has been but little done the past year. The Board of Trustees is efficient and capable, and he hopes the Grand Lodge will give it loyal support.

He refers to the fact that the semi-centennial of the Grand Lodge is near at hand, and recommends that preliminary steps be taken for its proper observance.

The Grand Secretary reports a net gain in membership for the year of six hundred. Number of Lodges, 267; total membership, 18,808.

The Special Committee on Ritual presented their report, from which it appears that they had performed their task acceptably, correcting palpable errors and restoring the work so as to conform more closely to that taught and practiced in Eastern Jurisdictions. Their report was unanimously concurred in.

The reports of the several Boards of Relief are published in full and show a large amount in the aggregate expended for relief. The Finance Committee found that during the past five years the San Francisco board had disbursed for the relief of distressed Masons, their widows and orphans, of other Grand Jurisdictions, upwards of \$20,000, for which it had not been reimbursed.

The oration of W. Brother Francis E. Baker, Grand Orator, was an eloquent discourse upon the character and principles of Free Masonry. At the close he reviews the noble work of establishing a Widows' and Orphans' Home, which is now engaging the attention of the brethren of that Jurisdiction, and, while commending the noble impulses which have prompted the undertaking, and the beneficial results which are destined to flow there-

from, especially in the case of orphans, he does not hesitate to express his individual opinion as to the sundering of the life-long home ties of aged widows and their advent into new and strange surroundings. His ideas are quite similar to those entertained by many Colorado brethren.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the mysteries of Free Masonry have, in all ages since the first organization of this ancient Order, been taught by tradition and committed only to the faithful breast, and that all suggestions or propositions looking to a change will be regarded as unmasonic and denied consideration in this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge donated \$20,000 toward the completion of the Masonic Home.

The Report on Correspondence, by Past Grand Master William A. Davies, is, as usual, one of the attractive features of the volume before us. Colorado for 1896 receives a most fraternal review, in which the essential points of Grand Master Peirce's address are noted, as well as all important matters of legislation and reports of committees.

He refers to our criticism of the action of that Grand Lodge in the matter of Valley Lodge No. 135, in refusing to assume the support of an indigent brother who had been supported by the Lodge for ten years, until its treasury was bankrupted. He "suspects" the membership is composed of "well-to-do" brethren, who own their Lodge property, and says that they should have raised their Lodge dues before applying for Grand Lodge relief. As noted by us, the membership was thirty, Lodge dues \$6; expended for indigent brother, \$270 to \$280 per year. In the absence of petitions to help cover the outgo, the dues would have to be largely increased, and perhaps to a burdensome extent.

Our reference to the California law which provides: "That every voter shall be eligible to any office in the Lodge," as being at variance with No. 4 of the Old Charges, calls forth the following:

Please don't quote any more of your "old charges," Brother Greenleaf. They don't apply to present conditions; besides they're unconstitutional.

When Brother Davies was installed as Master of a Lodge, he gave his assent to the following promise, which is numbered VIII.:

"Do you promise to respect genuine and true brethren, and to discountenance imposters and all *dissenters* from the *Ancient Landmarks* and Constitutions of Masonry?" Ans. "I do."

(Italics ours.)

This should be sufficiently explicit as an answer to the above, and it seems to apply.

We thank Brother Davies for the kind words said of us and his reference to the Square and Compass.

Thomas Flint, Jr., San Juan, Grand Master; George Johnson, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

CANADA.

Forty-second Annual, July, 1897.

Grand Master William Gibson reports the Lodges to be in most prosperous condition. There are now 357 on the register, with a total membership of 23,398. The finances are in excellent shape, the capital account being \$94,202.17, of which \$14,869.75 belongs to the Asylum Fund; \$9,887.50 was expended for benevolence during the year, being over 56 per cent. of the total disbursements. His recommendations, that the maximum grants, which are now \$50 for a brother and \$40 for a widow, be increased to \$100 and \$80 respectively in special cases, and that a grant, not to exceed \$40 to any one applicant, be made for purposes of temporary relief, under certain restrictions, were approved.

He granted three dispensations for new Lodges. He laid three corner stones. In this connection he says:

Whilst encouragement should be given to the laying of corner stones for places of public worship, public institutions and schools, yet the Grand Master should not be asked to lay a corner stone when another corner stone is to be laid at the same place by someone else. Neither should the Grand Master be called upon to place stones in buildings already in existence, perhaps built years ago.

The reports of the District Deputies of the eighteen districts give detailed information concerning the condition of the Lodges in their respective districts, being accompanied, as usual, by statistical tables. Two hundred pages of the Proceedings are filled with these reports, from which some idea may be had of their value and exhaustive character.

To mark in a fitting manner the queen's jubilee, \$2,000 was granted to the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, to endow a cot in the Masonic ward in that institution.

The Maine resolutions concerning rejected candidates were not adopted, it not being deemed desirable to amend their Constitution at the present time.

The Special Committee on Asylum Fund addressed a circular to all the Lodges, submitting four questions concerning the establishment of a Masonic Home. From the slight attention paid to the circular there is no immediate prospect of its early establishment.

A resolution that the business of all Lodges be transacted in the Third Degree, was lost.

Past Grand Master Henry Robertson presents a most interesting Report on Correspondence, in which he reviews the Proceedings of sixty Grand Lodges within the space of 116 pages. Colorado for 1896 is accorded nearly two pages of his valuable space. Extracts are given from Grand Master Peirce's address and the reports of standing committees. In quoting our remarks concerning antiquity he does not feel like admitting that Masonry was "divinely inspired."

William Gibson, Beamsville, Grand Master; J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

One Hundred and Tenth Annual, January, 1898.

Grand Master George A. Kies, from his personal observation, but more particularly from the reports of the District Deputies, is enabled to present a complete exhibit of the condition of the Craft in that Jurisdiction, to point out defective workmanship and, as the Chief

Overseer, to recommend more strict conformity to the designs laid down on the Grand Trestleboard.

Among other matters to which attention is called, is lack of punctuality in opening Lodges, laxity in the collection of dues, smoking in Lodge rooms, etc.

Among special dispensations granted was one

"To ballot anew upon a rejected application, there being strong evidence of a mistake because of a defective ballot box, it was ordered that due notice be given to the members of the Lodge that a new ballot would be spread."

He very properly refused a dispensation for a Lodge to appear in regalia at the funeral of a deceased brother, a Commandery of Knights Templar to perform the ceremonies.

He rendered the following decision:

Non-affiliated Masons are not entitled to burial with Masonic honors.

In support of which he gives his opinion as to the rights of non-affiliates in these words:

Masonic duties and functions are of two kinds, namely, those which can be performed by an individual brother, and those which can be carried out only by a Lodge regularly convened as such. While the non-affiliate, so long as he remains in good standing otherwise, can claim the former, he is not entitled to any of the benefits dispensed by the Lodge as an organization, having voluntarily cut himself off from such by his own acts. Masonic burial being a Lodge function, it can be claimed only in the case of one who at the time of his death was a Master Mason in good standing and regularly affiliated with some Lodge.

While the decision was approved, the Committee on Jurisprudence recommended the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Lodges may, in their discretion, perform the burial service in case of a non-affiliated Mason who may be such without any culpable neglect on his part.

This action is in accord with our own views, heretofore expressed, when dealing with this question.

He reports the surrender of two Charters, "dissensions" being assigned as the cause in one case, and "dry rot" in the other.

We quote the following, which contains sound advice as to dissensions arising from differences of religious belief:

At an early period in my administration, it came to my knowledge that internal dissensions of a serious nature had arisen in one of our Lodges. This discord, which took the form of a combined race and religious strife, had developed from a small beginning into a magnitude which threatened to paralyze the Lodge, and to utterly destroy its Masonic usefulness. Through the indiscretion (to call it by no harsher term) of some brother or brethren, many of the details were reported, more or less accurately, in the newspapers. Although better counsel afterwards prevailed and harmony was restored in the Lodge, we may profitably draw some lessons from this occurrence. In the first place, we should carefully avoid the first word which could reasonably be construed as a reflection upon the religious belief of any brother. A man's creed is a matter regarding which he is responsible to God alone. Failure to recognize this obvious truth has, in the past, brought about some of the bloodiest and most causeless wars in the history of man; wars which, even at their conclusion, left the questions at issue in as indeterminate a state as at the beginning. Even at the present day, any person becomes justly indignant when his religious belief is ridiculed. Applicants for initiation into our fraternity are required to avow no further religious faith than a belief in God. In explaining the tenets of our institution, we proudly declare that "Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion." In view of these facts, we grossly stultify ourselves if we make unkind remarks regarding the differing belief of any of our brethren. I believe that it is entirely possible to be zealous in upholding one's own peculiar creed, while, at the same time, giving full scope to that charity towards dissenting beliefs which is the natural result of true brotherly love.

Upon other questions he is equally outspoken. The publication of Lodge transactions in the public press he denounces as a growing evil, and such Masonic offenders should be punished. The malicious black-balling of candidates, the use of the word "Masonic" in connec-

tion with business enterprises, mutual benefit associations, etc., the sub-letting of Lodge rooms to individuals and organizations, are also commented upon and their evil tendencies forcibly portrayed.

The Grand Lodge suspended Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru for having removed the Bible from its altars, etc.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That there be required to be paid to the Grand Lodge from each Lodge in the Jurisdiction, the sum of one dollar for each member upon its roll of membership.

Resolved, That in estimating their membership all members may be deducted who have been Masons thirty years, also those whose whereabouts are not known for five years previous.

Resolved, That 25 per cent. of the amount received be appropriated for defraying the expenses of the Grand Lodge and 75 per cent. be appropriated for the purpose of the Masonic charity foundation fund of Connecticut.

Resolved, That the Subordinate Lodges be required to make their returns to the Grand Lodge as follows:

One-half on or before the first day of July, 1898; one-half on or before the first day of January, 1898.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Past Grand Master John H. Barlow. Like all of his previous productions, it is a most able review of the Proceedings of sixty-one Grand Bodies, Colorado for 1897 included. Grand Master Roe's address is epitomized. Referring to the resolution offered concerning the making of Masons at sight, he says:

"If the right exists at all, it is the prerogative of the Grand Master by virtue of his office, and would not be affected by legislation."

He says the oration of Brother Jasper W. Johnson, to be appreciated, should be read entire. He quotes the conclusion of the report of the Committee on Washington Memorial Observance.

There is much in the report of Brother Barlow that we are tempted to reproduce, but having already exceeded our proposed limits as to space, we must refrain.

Frank W. Havens, Hartford, Grand Master; John H. Barlow, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

Ninety-first Annual, October, 1897.

Grand Master J. Paul Lukeus reports a prosperous year, the Lodges showing a net gain of forty in membership, the total being 2,126 Master Masons. He had visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction, some of them twice. He laid two corner stones, both for churches.

He recommends that a Lodge of Instruction be established in each of the three districts, which was adopted; also, that a committee of five be appointed to prepare forms for the laying of corner stones, dedication of halls, etc., which was also adopted.

He submits three decisions, which were approved.

He is opposed to Lodges meeting in rooms used by other than Masonic bodies, and recommends that upon the expiration of the lease of a Lodge so doing, it be compelled to seek quarters elsewhere, which recommendation was adopted.

The Committee on Formation of a Home for Old and Indigent Masons reported that it was inexpedient for the Grand Lodge to undertake the enterprise, owing to limited membership and resources. They recommended an appropriation of \$100 to the Minquadale Home, where two Masons were domiciled. The report and recommendation were adopted.

Rev. Brother L. H. Jackson again presents the Report on Correspondence, in which he concisely reviews the Proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1896 receiving fraternal consideration. Extracts are given from Grand Master Peirce's address, and also from Brother Milsom's (not Wilson, as reported) oration. He says it is "a model for brevity, and beautifully affecting and practical in sentiment."

James E. Dutton, Seaford, Grand Master; Benjamin F. Bartram, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Eighty-seventh Annual, November, 1897.

Grand Master Matthew Trimble reports a prosperous state of affairs in that Grand Jurisdiction.

He cites the case of John D. Hoover, rejected by Mesa Lodge No. 55, of this Grand Jurisdiction, August 4, 1892, and who was raised in La Fayette Lodge No. 19, April 24, 1897, having stated in his petition that he had never applied to any other Lodge for the degrees of Masonry. He had directed La Fayette Lodge to prefer charges, which was done, and the said Hoover was suspended August 31, 1897. Notice of said action was ordered sent to the Grand Secretary of Colorado.

He reports having granted eleven dispensations to confer degrees out of time, believing that no harm would result to the Lodges or the Craft from such action.

He laid three corner stones in person, the proposed structures being two churches and a Hebrew temple, wielding on each occasion, through the courtesy of Potomac Lodge, the historic gavel used by our illustrious brother, the first president of the United States, George Washington, when he laid the corner stone of our national capitol in 1793. At the ceremonies in connection with the laying of the corner stone of the Hebrew temple a very large audience was in attendance, among whom was President McKinley and the members of his cabinet except one, who was absent from the city.

He refers to the good work being done by their Masonic Board of Relief, which is in a highly prosperous condition.

He also recommends the Masonic Mutual Relief Association, which has been in successful operation for about thirty years, during which time it has distributed nearly \$800,000 to the widows and orphans of their own brethren, thereby relieving the Lodges of the district of a great burden. It is a purely mutual organization, all the officers except the secretary and treasurer serving without compensation.

He had visited all the Lodges, and each occasion was one of great interest.

In his conclusion he testifies his devotion to Ancient Craft Masonry in the following words:

Our dear old mother, the Blue Lodge, is older and wiser than us all and contains the germ and potentiality of all Free Masonry, as the acorn contains the oak, or as the Book of Genesis contains the suggestion of the whole subsequent revelation of God to man; and I care not to what order or rite you may belong, or what letters or figures you may feel authorized to write before or after your name, in token of your initiation into the sublimest degree of any rite of Masonry, it does not make you one whit more a Mason than you were on the night you stood in your Lodge and Master Masons called you "Brother," and I now proclaim to you, my brethren, there is no more honorable badge that can be worn than the lambskin or white leathern apron of a Free and Accepted Master Mason; and if at any time any order or rite claiming to be Masonic neglects or overlooks the fact of paying due and proper respect to the mother and foundation of all Free Masonry—our Blue Lodge—I say to you, Beware! Beware!

The amendments to the Constitution proposed at the last Annual Communication were adopted, section 8, article XX., now reading as follows:

"Nor shall the petition for initiation of any candidate who has been rejected by another Lodge be received until one year after such rejection has expired, and if such rejection has occurred within five years of the date of said petition it shall be received only by consent of two-thirds of the members present of the Lodge which rejected him, if it be in existence."

Section 9, article XX., was amended by striking out the words "shall be effectual until withdrawn, or so long as the brother objecting remains a member of the Lodge," and inserting "and if the objection is not withdrawn within six months, it shall have the same effect as a black ball at the time the ballot was taken upon the petition of the one in whose case the objection was made."

Brother Wm. R. Singleton presents his twenty-eighth Report on Correspondence, embracing a review of fifty-six Grand Lodges, covering 134 pages. Colorado for 1896 is given full consideration. The address of M. W. Brother H. P. H. Bromwell on behalf of the Grand Representatives is given entire, as he says,

For the benefit of our own brethren, many of whom knew Brother Bromwell when he was here in congress, representing his district in Illinois.

Brief reference is made to Grand Master Peirce's address and the other business of the session.

Samuel C. Palmer, Washington, Grand Master;
Wm. R. Singleton, Washington, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND.

Quarterlies, 1897-1898.

We are in receipt of the Proceedings of Quarterlies held in Free Mason's hall, London, September 1 and December 1, 1897, and March 2, 1898. At the first two, R. W. Wm. W. B. Beach, Provincial Grand Master for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, presided as Grand Master. At the latter, Earl Amherst, D. G. M., as Grand Master.

At the September Quarterly rather an animated discussion occurred in regard to confirming the minutes of the June Quarterly in so far as they related to the matter of the recognition of New Zealand and the rights of the minority in Lodges to continue to hold a warrant. The changes enacted in the Constitutions enable a majority of the brethren of a Lodge to give up their warrant under the English Constitutions and transfer their allegiance to a new Grand Lodge formed in distant provinces, such as New Zealand, etc. The minutes, after a spirited debate, were confirmed.

At the December Quarterly the salary of the Grand Secretary was raised from £1,000 to £1,250, with an annual increment after the first year of £50, up to the maximum salary of £1,500 per annum. It was brought out during the discussion of the question that the number of Lodges had increased from 1,380 in 1873 to 2,377 at the present time, and that the annual income had increased from £18,000 to £26,000.

A resolution declaring that any candidate who canvassed for votes or sanctioned such action on his behalf by others, ineligible to the office sought and such election null and void, was, after a full discussion, lost.

An appeal from the ruling of the W. M. of United Service Lodge at Hong Kong, who decided that the letters "R. N." in a petition sufficiently indicated the "place of abode" of naval candidates for initiation, was dismissed, thereby sustaining the ruling of the W. M., and that of the District Board of General Purposes.

At the Quarterly held March 2, 1898, the Prince of Wales was reelected Grand Master by acclamation. He has served as such since 1875, when he succeeded the Marquis of Ripon, this being his twenty-fourth election to the office.

The proclamation was made in these words by R. W. Brother Thomas Fenn, Past Grand Warden, Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies:

Be it known, the most high, most mighty and most illustrious Prince Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, Duke of Saxony, Duke of Cornwall and Rothesay, Earl of Chester, Carrick and Dublin, Baron of Renfrew and Lord of the Isles, Great Steward of Scotland, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Ancient and Noble Order of the Thistle, Great Master and Principal Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, and Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, etc., etc., etc., etc., is elected Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England for the year ensuing, whom may the Great Architect of the Universe long preserve.

FLORIDA.

Sixty-ninth Annual, January, 1898.

From the address of Grand Master James M. Hiliard and the reports of the District Deputies embodied therein, Masonry appears to be in a fairly prosperous condition. The visits officially by the Grand Master and the District Deputies had been of great benefit. At the commencement of his term the Grand Master addressed a circular letter to each of the District Deputies, sug-

gesting the calling of a district convention, to meet quarterly and hold a three-days' session. This recommendation met with general approval, and the results of such gatherings of the Craft have proved most beneficial. He issued an appeal to the Lodges for aid for a worthy widow of a Master Mason, which resulted in the collection of \$96.88. He had also approved of appeal circulars from four Lodges to sister Lodges for aid to rebuild their Lodge rooms destroyed by the storm of 1896.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges, and forty-three special dispensations to ballot out of order and for other purposes deemed proper or emergent.

He suspended a W. M. from office, and recommended to the Lodge to have the J. W. prefer charges against him and proceed to trial.

The Jurisprudence Committee took exception to this recommendation on the ground that "The right to try a Master, even after suspension from office, rests only with the Grand Lodge." Their Grand Lodge Constitution so provides.

He reports eleven decisions, which were approved with three exceptions. To show the "intelligent" character of some of the questions asked, we quote the following:

No. 4. Q. "Would it be proper for a Masonic Lodge to indorse an application for political office?"

Ans. No.

No. 5. Q. "If five Master Masons called a meeting, the J. W. being one of the number, and not having the Charter in the Lodge, and dimit themselves, the J. W. signing as W. M., and the Secretary signing his dimit, are their dimits regular?"

Ans. No.

His answer is followed by six conclusive reasons. The S. W. (the W. M. having died) could only legally call the meeting, he being in the Jurisdiction at the time. The members had no right to call it. Dimits could only be granted at a regular communication. In the case of the five members, if everything else was regular, they could not dimit themselves, for a dimit being granted by the Lodge membership immediately ceases. There would be no one to close, no one to sign the dimits, etc. The meeting was irregular, the Charter not being

in the Lodge. The absurdity of the situation is at once apparent from this condensed summary of his conclusions.

The Grand Master recommended that the Grand Lodge should take definite action in regard to the right of a Lodge to receive a petition from a person engaged in the liquor traffic. The Committee on Jurisprudence reported as follows, which was adopted:

Your committee deem it best to still leave this question to the discretion of the particular Lodges. The moral requirements which fit a man to become a Mason are so well established that we do not think it wise to designate any special occupation as disqualifying a candidate. We think it best that the Lodges should bear and learn to recognize their responsibility to the Order, in the careful scrutiny of all material.

Brother R. H. Weller, Grand Orator, delivered a most able and impressive address, taking as his leading themes: "The Mission of Masonry" and "True Masonic Manhood."

There was no extended Report on Correspondence, the committee reporting on special matters referred to them. Among others were communications from the Grand Lodges of Maine and New York, regarding the Grand Lodge of Peru. The committee declined to act upon information at second hand, and recommended that the Grand Secretary be instructed, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Florida, to write to the Grand Master of Peru, and ask for this information, and to forward the reply to the Grand Master upon its receipt, which was adopted.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Grievances, the Charter of a Lodge was forfeited, "it having ceased to be anything more to its members than a field for discord."

Regulations were amended to read as follows:

Reg. 191. The funeral service, when performed, should take place at the time of interment, *or at an early day thereafter*; but when it is omitted on account of unfavorable circumstances, a "Lodge of Sorrow" may be held by the bereaved Lodge in its Lodge room.

Reg. 269. The minutes of the Lodge at every communication must be read for correction and approval before the closing of the Lodge, and read for final adoption at the next regular communication.

James H. Hilliard, Pensacola, Grand Master; Wilber F. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

One Hundred and Eleventh Annual, October, 1897.

Grand Master James W. Taylor, after a hearty welcome, with words of wise counsel as to their great responsibilities as Master in Israel, pauses in the midst of his reflections upon the changes and vicissitudes of life to pay an eloquent and most deserved tribute to the memory of their deceased Grand Secretary, Andrew M. Wolihin, who was elected to that office in 1885. He had filled many important offices, among others that of Grand High Priest.

The Grand Master says that Masonry is in a most prosperous condition. He had granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

He reports thirteen decisions, all but one of which were approved.

Twelve corner stones were laid, five in person and seven by proxy. The proposed structures were five churches, four school buildings, Masonic hall, court house and a factory. The latter is styled "Factory Pou-lain" in the report; if a factory in the ordinary sense, it was not such an edifice as should be consecrated by having the corner stone thereof laid with the imposing ceremonies of the Craft.

Concerning visitations, he says:

I have utilized my time in visiting Lodges that I thought needed help and encouragement, and find everywhere a great desire for more light, and have endeavored to inform the brethren to the best of my ability. I also find Masonry in Georgia in a very flourishing condition and great devotion to the cause prevailing; especially is this the case in the rural districts. These country Lodges, for models of Masonry, are "the salt of the

earth"—no wrangling within their peaceful walls; no disintegrating element surrounding them to mar the pleasures of fraternal fellowship; nothing but charity and brotherly love, living for each other and doing good. I would not be understood as detracting any merit from Lodges and Masonry in more populous localities or more propitious surroundings, but give them credit as expert Craftsmen, worthy of all commendation, but their surroundings are different, with other social and fraternal institutions to distract their attention and monopolize their time, making it almost impossible to give Masonry needed consideration, and I do think that the distance prescribed by the Grand Lodge works a hardship amongst the Craft and is proving detrimental to the prosperity of the cause. Science would be promoted, intelligence increased and morals improved if there existed a good Lodge with devoted membership in every community in our grand old state. My brethren, foster the cause and let us have more good Lodges and more enthusiastic and devoted Masons, and we will have less crime and less ignorance.

From the reports of the District Deputies, he is enabled to give a gratifying exhibit of the condition of the fraternity throughout the Jurisdiction.

During the evening of the first day memorial services were held on the life, character and Masonic labors of R. W. Andrew M. Wolihin. In addition to the memorial prepared by the committee, which was adopted by a rising vote, loving tributes were paid to the memory of the deceased by many Past Grand Officers and others.

A monument committee was also appointed, and the Masters of Subordinate Lodges made a sub-committee to solicit contributions from their respective Lodges.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended the following change in their By-Laws owing to the varied construction heretofore placed upon the meaning of the section, and to emphasize the fact that the Grand Lodge does not hold to the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction:

Article XII., section 5. No candidate whose application may be rejected in any Lodge, shall make a second petition to that Lodge until after the lapse of one year from the time of such rejection. Nor shall his petition be entertained by any other Lodge which shall have received notice of his rejection until after the expiration of one year from the time of such rejection.

We recommend that in the application or petition for the degrees by a candidate, that the applicant be required to state whether or not he has previously applied for the degrees to any other Lodge and been rejected within twelve months. If so, to what Lodge and when rejected.

The Committee on General Welfare recommended the following amendment to the By-Laws, to go into effect at the next annual: "That all delegates be paid five cents per mile, instead of ten cents as now allowed." But it was lost by a vote of 184 yeas to 119 nays, 203 votes being required to carry amendment.

The following from the same committee, in regard to the Grand Orient of Portugal, was adopted:

In reference to the communication from the Grand Orient of Portugal, asking for fraternal recognition, your committee see no objection to such recognition provided such Grand Lodge be such a Masonic Body as can be properly recognized by us, and we recommend that our Grand Secretary make such investigations and report thereon to our next communication, and if the Grand Orient be entitled to fraternal recognition, that it be extended at that communication.

The following resolution, referring doubtless to the Grand Dieta, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Most Worshipful Grand Master of this Grand Lodge be instructed to make careful investigation concerning Masonry in the republic of Mexico, and should he find a Grand Lodge there in strict accord with this Grand Lodge, that he notify the Grand Lodge of Mexico, so in accord with us, that we will fraternize with it, and that the Grand Master afterwards notify each of the Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction of his action in the premises.

Brother W. S. Ramsay presents a most interesting Report on Correspondence, which is a well written summary, with but few extracts. Colorado for 1896 has an appreciative review, in which the salient features of Grand Master Peirce's address are preserved and the business of the session noted. Of Brother J. W. Milsom's oration he says: "It was timely and bespeaks a warm and generous nature. It will bring forth fruit."

In speaking of our report and what we have to say

on the subject of Mexican Masonry, he gives this sage advice in Latin, which, rendered into English, meaneth: "Make haste slowly." We have already done so, as a reference to 1897 report will show. Referring to the same subject in his conclusion, he says:

Our Grand Lodges have been much perplexed as to the status of Masonry in Mexico, the Gran Dieta Symbolica having applied for recognition. During the first term of the administration of Grand Master John S. Davidson we made full investigation, and reported adverse to recognition, not because the Lodges of Mexico were instituted by the A. and A. Scottish Rite, because very many of the jurisdictions we recognize owe their existence to the same origin, but because changes were made that women were admitted to membership and held office; Lodges of women were constituted; the Bible was excluded from the altars, and general irregularities.

Brother Parvin, of Iowa, has made personal investigation, and while he admits that such charges were true, they have been corrected, and that now Masonry in that Jurisdiction is purged, women are forbidden membership, Lodges of women are ignored, the Bible has been restored to the altars, and the practice is regular. In view of the intimate relations existing between our sister republic and ourselves, and in view of the fact that after careful investigation the Grand Jurisdictions of a large number of our states, including New York, California, Texas, Kansas and Iowa, and others, have extended fraternal recognition, we see nothing to debar our own Jurisdiction from extending the same courtesy. Recognition is not *endorsement*; it is only an expression of fraternal regard. President Díaz, who has so skillfully conducted the affairs of the republic, is Grand Master, and recognition will add much support to aid him in purging Masonry of all irregularities, and forcing an obedience that will be to the interest of Masonry there and elsewhere.

This is very similar in tenor to our 1896 utterance, and we recommend a dose of his own medicinal advice. There are two points in the above that will bear fuller investigation—the admitted legality of Lodges instituted by the A. and A. Scottish Rite, and whether recognition can be other than endorsement. But we must forbear further discussion, having already given Georgia full space.

James W. Taylor, Luthersville, Grand Master; W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

Thirtieth Annual, September, 1897.

Grand Master Fred G. Mock, after words of fraternal greeting, digresses to inform the brethren of the great joy which filled the hearts of his aged parents, who have passed the allotted three score and ten, when they learned of his elevation to the office of Grand Master. Brother Mock was formerly a resident of Colorado and a member of one of our Lodges, and we also feel a just pride in the progress he has made in Masonry and his elevation to the Grand East of our sister Grand Jurisdiction.

He reports having visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction, on which occasions he made a thorough examination of their condition, and he does not hesitate to refer to Lodges which pay little regard to Grand Lodge laws or instructions, and whose records are improperly kept. These constitute the darker tints of the picture which, as a whole, is bright-hued and pleasing. He has words of encouragement for Lodges which had little work and poor attendance, and recommends deeper search into the hidden mysteries by reading from the works of Masonic writers, rehearsing the lectures, etc., and stimulating an interest in Masonry for its own sake.

The brethren of Idaho can not be accused of having "no music in their souls." The Master of a Lodge spent \$50 for a band at a funeral of one of their members, and shortly after, when a visiting brother died, although reported "not in good standing," he hired a band and spent \$71 more, despite the fact that the Lodge was badly in debt. In the early days of Colorado it was the custom of some of our Lodges to hire bands at funerals, but of late years such instances are of rare occurrence.

There had been considerable discussion among the Lodges regarding a minimum fee for degrees. He recommends that it be fixed at \$35.

He submits a list of ten decisions, which were approved. No. 6 is of interest, as being in favor of Rico Lodge No. 79 of this Jurisdiction, who requested a Lodge in Idaho to confer the F. C. and M. M. Degrees upon one of their members, to which a member of the Idaho Lodge objected unless that Lodge was permitted to retain the

fees. Grand Master Mock decided that the Lodge should do the work for Rico Lodge and not charge a cent for extending a helping hand.

The report of the Grand Secretary is a model document and complete as to details.

The Special Committee on Discipline in Lodges, U. D., appointed in 1896, reported:

"That Lodges under dispensation ought not to be authorized to discipline members; that the present regulations of our Grand Lodge are wise and ample for all purposes," which was adopted.

The resolutions reported by the Special Committee on Non-Affiliates, and which were adopted, will provoke much adverse criticism. They are as follows:

NON-AFFILIATE RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That it is the duty of every Mason residing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge to be a member of some Masonic Lodge, either within or without the Jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That every Mason residing within this Jurisdiction holding a dimit shall, within six months from this date, present his petition for membership in some Lodge within this Jurisdiction, and on failure so to do, or to pay dues according to the By-Laws of the Lodge nearest his residence, the Master of the Lodge within whose jurisdiction such offending brother, if known, resides, shall order the Junior Warden of his Lodge to prefer charges against such unaffiliated brother of unmasonic conduct, in not so presenting his petition for membership, and such proceedings shall be had as provided for in trials for unmasonic conduct, and if no sufficient excuse shall be shown for such failure to affiliate, and the offending brother be found guilty, he shall be expelled from the Order.

This is a fresh instance of the adoption of stringent measures by Grand Lodges to remedy existing evils. We are most decidedly opposed to such radical legislation, and do not believe it will effect other result than by bringing reproach upon the fraternity. Compulsory membership is a dream that will never be realized. If the great army of non-affiliates is ever again enrolled upon our list of members, it will be through the force of attraction—pleasant surroundings, impressive work, so-

cial features and good fellowship being the potent factors. The old watchword of the Colonies, "Join or die!" can not be used effectively in Masonry.

In our opinion, such resolutions are contrary to the spirit and intent of Free Masonry, and restrictive of the right of the individual to the free exercise of his own will and inclination, when these are not in conflict with the laws of the land.

Is the Masonic fraternity prepared to go on record as an institution which says to its members at large: "Connect yourselves with our Lodges and contribute to their support, or expulsion (Masonic death) shall be your portion?" We think not.

Then, again, an inquiry into the reasons which actuated the withdrawal of some of these non-affiliates might not be attended with altogether pleasant results. Some could doubtless "a tale unfold" of scandalous treatment at the hands of brethren, which so embittered their feelings as to determine them to quietly withdraw from further association with those who had betrayed their confidence. It may be urged that it was their plain duty to prefer charges in such cases. The wrongs may have been of such a nature that proof would be insufficient to establish guilt, or there may have been other reasons which influenced them in their decision to suffer in silence rather than court the publicity of a Masonic trial.

That there are many such instances is within the individual experience of nearly every writer of the guild.

Let us direct attention to another class whom the resolutions would affect were they to be adopted generally. They are those Masons advanced in years, who, having borne the burden and heat of the day, finding that their earning capacity is yearly diminishing and their means becoming more and more restricted, foresee their inability in the near future to pay dues, and taking "Time by the forelock," while they are square upon the books, obtain a dimit. They thereby save themselves the humiliation of going before the Lodge in a year or two, and pleading inability to pay. This is no ideal picture, more's the pity! The Secretary of a Lodge, with over five hundred members, informs us that he knows of forty or fifty of his members who, in the last few years, have

taken their dimits undr similar circumstances to those we have instanced.

Non-affiliates, under laws which prevail in most Grand Jurisdictions, are deprived of Lodge privileges and debarred from Masonic relief or burial. In some Jurisdictions, including our own, they may visit twice during the year.

Grand Lodges which have passed laws denying all rights to non-affiliates have subsequently found it necessary to modify them, and to leave it discretionary with the Lodge to extend relief or confer Masonic burial. Why? Because in the ranks of non-affiliates were found many grand old Masons, who had been Masters in Israel in their day, and who, through stress of unpropitious fortune or other cause, had no Masonic home when the "evil days" drew nigh and the "keepers of the house" began to tremble.

Notwithstanding a Mason has severed his Lodge connection, he is still subject to discipline for unmasonic conduct or any violation of Masonic law.

While it is a matter of regret that so many Masons are without our portals, yet so long as they live honorable lives and bring no reproach or disgrace upon the Fraternity, there should be no compulsory interference, but rather a fraternal and persuasive endeavor to induce them to return to the old roof-tree, where, in the glow that should radiate from loving hearts, they may be led to exclaim with the Psalmist of old, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

The same committee also reported upon the subject of "Non-Payment of Dues," which has been called the "twin evil" to the foregoing. They recommended the following amendment to the Penal Code, which passed a second reading and will come up for final action at the next annual:

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to report at the first regular communication in June of each year the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more, when, if not excused by a vote of the brethren present, the Worshipful Master shall order a notice to be served upon them to appear at the first regular communication in July and show cause why they should not be suspended for non-payment of dues. If they do

not appear or otherwise satisfactorily answer the notice, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to report the facts, and suspension may immediately ensue by a vote of a majority of the brethren present.

The Grand Lodge refused to reduce the minimum fee of \$50. The Grand Lodge of New Zealand was recognized. The Grand Dieta must wait further investigation into its character.

Brother Jonas W. Brown, Grand Orator, delivered a forcible address upon Masonic philosophy. The Orphan Fund amounts to \$27,185.61. There was appropriated from the interest derived from same the sum of \$842.20.

Grand Master Mock, upon retiring from his office, presented to the Grand Lodge a Grand Master's signet ring, to be worn by each succeeding Grand Master, and be by him delivered to his successor. The ring is of gold, with black onyx top, both of Idaho production.

Brother Charles C. Stevenson presents his tenth Report on Correspondence, which can not fail to be of that marked excellence which comes from long experience. Colorado for 1896 receives due consideration at his hands. He briefly summarizes the essential features of Grand Master Peirce's address; thinks Colorado has "a very poor, roundabout way of reinstatement for non-payment of dues;" says the Idaho law is much more preferable, which is, the paying the amount due of itself reinstates the brother suspended. The reports of committees are also favorably noted.

George M. Waterhouse, Weiser, Grand Master; Charles C. Stevenson, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

Fifty-eighth Annual, October, 1897.

The opening of the address of Grand Master Owen Scott is couched in beautiful language, in which he sets forth what he deems the true creed of Masons, and to illustrate which he reproduces a stanza from our "Poem for St. John's Day."

He pays an eloquent tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Jerome R. Gorin and is not forgetful of

those who occupied less exalted positions, among whom was Brother Goodman Ferre, P. M., whom he characterizes as "ninety years young." He was elected W. M. in 1855. In 1863 he was elected Treasurer of his Lodge and served in that capacity for thirty-four years. He was in his ninety-second year at the time of his death.

He reports having laid the corner stone of a church at Decatur.

Five dispensations for new Lodges were granted, one Charter was restored and one surrendered, and two Lodges were consolidated. A large number of special dispensations were granted.

County and district meetings had been held in many sections with beneficial results. He issued two circular letters of suggestions and instructions, the first addressed to District Deputies and the second to constituent Lodges regarding the reciprocal duties of each in connection with the above meetings. These circular letters were of such a practical character that they doubtless contributed largely to the success of the gatherings.

A Senior Warden, acting as Worthy Master, permitted five ballots to be taken on a petition for the degrees.

On each of the first four ballots a black ball was cast. On the fifth ballot, after several members had retired, no black ball appeared and the candidate was declared duly elected.

For this open violation of the law he was suspended from office for sixty days, or at the pleasure of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

He takes strong ground against life membership, is warm in his commendation of the Washington memorial and recommends the appointment of a committee for the Mount Vernon observance, and also to arrange for that to be held by the Lodges of the Jurisdiction at the same time.

He urges the establishment of relief boards in all the larger cities, but more especially in Chicago, as a safeguard against the swarm of impostors and dead beats who prey upon the fraternity.

Under the head of "Too Much Publicity" we find the following:

In another case a cashier of a bank answered an inquiry from a business house by stating that the man whose standing was asked for had been expelled from the Masonic Lodge. The bank official was an active member, and participated in the proceedings by which the brother was disciplined. The person to whom the information was given was not a Mason. I ordered charges preferred against this man, who would prostitute his Masonry for business purposes, or would wreak his vengeance on a man he disliked. He was tried by his Lodge and suspended. Brethren should realize that Masonry does not ask publicity; she does her work with becoming modesty. Her left hand does not know what her right hand doeth. In this silent unobtrusiveness is the strength of our great Fraternity.

Eight decisions are reported, all of which were approved.

In his general summing up he says that while the stagnation in business had a telling effect on their growth, resulting in more suspensions for non-payment of dues and fewer petitions, nevertheless there had been a healthy gain and Masonry in that Jurisdiction was never in better condition.

The statistics show that the net gain in membership was 776, and the total membership 53,285. The total contributions for charity were \$34,059.47.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we consider it unwise to recommend to constituent Lodges the adoption of any form or system of life membership.

The bonds of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary were fixed at \$30,000 each.

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Egypt was deferred.

The annual oration was delivered by Brother William E. Mason, Grand Orator, who took for his theme: "The Evolution of a Nation," which he handled in a masterly manner.

The Report on Correspondence by Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins occupies the greater portion of the volume, and it is needless to say the space could not be better occupied. It covers 340 pages, in which the Proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges are thoroughly re-

viewed with incisive and critical comment. Seven and a half pages are devoted to Colorado for 1896.

He first notes the address of M. W. Brother H. P. H. Bromwell on behalf of the Grand Representatives, which he says was "characterized by the quaintness and eloquence so well remembered by Illinoisans." Liberal extracts are made from Grand Master Peirce's address and many of his decisions are reproduced with comments. We quote the following:

Other recommendations made by the Grand Master bore fruit in the following regulations shaped by the Jurisprudence Committee:

In the absence of any work in the degrees, one of the three principal officers of the Lodge is required, at least once in every two months, to deliver one of the three lectures of the degrees, in their order, and so report to the Grand Master or Grand Lecturer.

No Lodge shall incur any indebtedness beyond \$10 per capita, without the approval of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall be required to furnish surety on their official bonds of some reliable surety company, to be approved by the Grand Master, the premium therefor to be paid as other expenses of the Grand Lodge.

The aim of the first is good, and a Grand Master *may* be found who will require the rule to be lived up to. The second is a rule which it would probably be well for Lodges generally to observe, but, to our mind, it is questionable policy and worse law to put the Lodges in straight jackets touching the management of their private business concerns. The third is to be thoroughly commended. We have long been convinced that it is the only rational method of dealing with such bonds, the only method which promises any real indemnity.

We quote the following comment:

In the face of the indisputably sound statement of Masonic law to which it had committed itself, that the Masonic standing of a brother could only be impaired by a sentence of a Lodge after due trial, went into the wholesale impairment of standing by legislation by adopting the following:

83. Non-affiliation is cause for discipline, and all non-affiliates who have not made application for membership in some Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, within one year, shall not be

entitled to visit any Lodge more than twice during the year, or join any Masonic procession, nor be entitled, as a matter of right, to Masonic relief or burial.

Brother Milsom is credited with having delivered a "noteworthy address," in which he "managed to say a great deal that was practical and elevating, and ought to be fruitful, in a few words."

The reports of committees are favorably commented upon, with liberal extracts therefrom.

After quoting our remarks upon the antiquity of Masonry, Brother Robbins comes back at us with the following:

The difference between us in this matter is a radical one, Brother Greenleaf contending that Masonry was a "perfect system at the start," indeed, more perfect than to-day, while we have no doubt that, like every other human institution, it is an example of human evolution from the simple to the more complex. If, as Brother Condor says, there was a Lodge of Free Masons working and holding secrets apart from the bulk of the members of the Masons Company a century or so before 1717, it does not show that degrees as now known in Masonry were known at that time. We know of no Masonic writers who claim that the Masonic esotery was first formulated in 1717. While there are many who believe that up to that time the ceremony of "making" contained all the esotery that then existed, and others, like Brother G. W. Speth, who believe that two degrees existed long prior to that time, and that these two degrees contained all the esoteric knowledge of the present three. Brother Greenleaf assumes that the reasonableness of the supposition that the Lodge of 1631 was in possession of the esotery which has descended to us, must, if admitted, establish the antiquity of Masonry as set forth in its traditions; but if it were a known fact instead of a reasonable supposition, it would prove nothing as to the truth of traditions which refer to a period some thousands of years earlier as the date when Free Masonry first existed among men. The first known date of the existence of a Lodge might be set back several more centuries before it would bear with any appreciable weight upon "the antiquity of Masonry as set forth in its traditions."

There is no occasion for any radical difference of opinion on this question if properly understood, es-

pecially when it is remembered that Brother Robbins is an ardent defender of Ancient Craft Masonry, in which respect we claim equal consideration. He should therefore welcome all evidence that strengthens its antiquity and restores and interprets its lost symbolism, and reveals the adamantine foundations upon which it rests.

He falls into grave error when he infers that Masonry "is an example of evolution from the simple to the more complex," when the real fact is the ancients were in possession of the "more complex," which our ritualists have thus far succeeded in resolving only into a few "simples," to which many more must be added before we have the grand aggregation of sublime truths for which we are still in search.

Brother R. T. Gould, in his article on "The Degrees of Masonry," says:

It admits of no doubt that the meaning of a great part of our Masonic symbolism has been forgotten, and, as I shall presently show, there are good grounds for believing that this partial obliteration of its import must have taken place before the era of Grand Lodges.

It is unlikely—not to say impossible—that any men of intellectual attainments, who joined the Craft under the Grand Lodge of England, during the first decade of its existence, would have introduced any symbolism of which they did not understand the meaning, and it can be easily shown from the ceremonial of that period that it must have been quite as obscure and unintelligible in many parts in those days as it is in our own.

Does not this go to show that the "complexity" evolves backward instead of forward, which helps to support our assertion that Masonry was a perfect system at the start.

Brother Robbins says: "We know of no Masonic writers who claim that the Masonic esotery was first formulated in 1717." Well, for his enlightenment we will reach into the "madding crowd" and bring forth Brother W. R. Singleton of the District of Columbia, who says: "It is well known that the first Grand Lodge was organized in 1717, and that there was *no ritualism prior to that date.*" (*Italics ours.*) Scores of others

might be quoted in evidence, but we must refrain. We have already exceeded our allotted space.

Edward Cook, Chicago, Grand Master; J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

Seventy-seventh Annual, May, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Mason J. Niblack opens with patriotic enthusiasm growing out of the war with Spain. He says:

Masonry is preëminently a patriotic Order. All its teachings are conducive to loyalty, patriotism and a higher state of good citizenship. Bound together by such teachings, we can not fail to take the keenest interest in everything that pertains to our national welfare.

No nation has ever gone to war with more unselfish purposes, or in a grander cause, than has ours in the war that is now waging. May the God of all nations, to whom we owe the highest allegiance, speedily grant us complete victory and restore peace and good will on earth.

He recommends withdrawal of all relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He announces the death of two Past Grand Masters, Andrew J. Hay and Alexander C. Downey.

Two corner stones were laid, one in person and one by proxy, those of a church and court house respectively.

Among cases of violation of Masonic law by Lodges was that of a Lodge charging full fee for the degrees and then returning one-half; another Lodge claimed that it and all Lodges organized prior to the seventies had the right to confer the work then used, regardless to what had been adopted as the regular work since; and still another passed the following resolution:

"That each member of this Lodge who had been a member for five or more years shall be credited with five dollars on his dues."

The brethren of these Lodges were made to see the error of their ways, and the resolution above was declared null and void.

He had no decisions to report. He recommends the appointment of a committee for the Washington memorial.

He reports that by invitation of Grand Secretary Smythe, he accompanied him to Cape Girardeau, Mo., where he assisted in removing the remains of their first Grand Master, Alexander Buckner, from the unmarked and lonely place where they had laid for sixty-four years, to the beautiful cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

The Grand Secretary gives full details of the event, which was marked by impressive ceremonies, upwards of fifty Master Masons being in the procession. Eloquent addresses were delivered by Brother Louis Houck, of Cape Girardeau, and Grand Master Niblack. A beautiful monument bearing an appropriate inscription, was erected by the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

Grand Secretary William H. Smythe, in his report, takes a retrospective view of his twenty years of service. During that period \$494,856.91 had passed through his hands and he had drawn warrants upon the Grand Treasurer for \$480,945.01, of which sum \$117,806.90 had been expended for mileage and per diem, \$4,848.50 was paid for postage, which gives some idea of the volume of his correspondence during that period. In addition, his good nature had been taxed to such an extent that he often found himself acting the role of a Dun or a Bradstreet, posing as the chief of a bureau of information, or as everybody's confidential adviser or attorney, perhaps with reference to the advisability of entering into the marriage relation or "lawing it" with Simpkins. However, our genial brother managed to discharge his official and super-imposed duties with entire satisfaction. He concludes his report with a patriotic peroration on "The American Flag," in defense of his action in raising it over the Masonic Temple when war was declared with Spain, and where it had continued to float, provoking criticism favorable and unfavorable.

This portion of the report was referred to a special committee "On Display of American Flag." Past Grand Master Simeon P. Gillett submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Secretary's report relating to the display of the flag of

the country over the Masonic Temple during the last few weeks of patriotic enthusiasm, beg leave to report that they most heartily and sincerely approve of the action of the Grand Secretary, earnestly commend his words of loyal devotion to country, entertained by him and by all the members of the great body of Free Masons of Indiana, and surely trust that the day will never come when a Mason of this state will for one moment hesitate to advance every word and perform every act of encouragement to the defenders of the American flag, support to the fullest extent of his ability the government of the land, and defend with the last drop of blood the honor of the American republic. We recommend that the action of the Grand Secretary be fully confirmed and approved.

In presenting the report Brother Gillett delivered a most eloquent patriotic address, which was ordered published in the Proceedings as part of the record.

Seven hundred dollars was appropriated as compensation to Brother Daniel McDonald, historian for compiling the history of the Grand Lodge, and a special committee was appointed to supervise its publication and sale.

The Grand Lodge severed its relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Past Grand Master Nicholas R. Buckle again furnishes a most able Report on Correspondence, covering 135 pages. Colorado for 1897 is concisely reviewed within two pages, in which the essential features of the business of the session are given. Brief extracts are given from Grand Master Roe's address. Brother Johnson's oration is pronounced "able and learned," and the reports of the several committees favorably considered.

Simeon S. Johnson, Jeffersonville, Grand Master; William H. Smythe, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Twenty-fourth Annual, August, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Silas Armstrong is a concise and business-like report of the status of Masonry and his official acts. He says that the Craft is in a very prosperous condition. He is a believer in Lodge independence and self-reliance, and says:

The supervision of the Craft by the Grand Master is necessarily of a general character. In the absence of any special system of official visitations, which it seems impracticable to inaugurate on account of the large expense it would impose on the Grand Lodge, it is difficult to keep in touch with all the Lodges in this Jurisdiction. While this is true, my official correspondence has been very large indeed. I am satisfied that it is best to insist upon the Lodges settling their own difficulties in so far as they can possibly do so. It makes them more independent and self-reliant. It forces upon them a better knowledge of Masonic law and the application of law. With the exception of one instance, I am pleased to report that with the assistance of brethren I have been successful in harmonizing all differences among the Craft that came to my knowledge. This exception is in the Chickasaw district. I have ordered the District Deputy Grand Master of that district to investigate and report the particulars of this difficulty at this session of the Grand Lodge.

He was pleased to report that the strained relations with the Grand Lodge of New York in the matter of Grand Representatives have been amicably adjusted. Their former Grand Representative was reappointed and resumed his old place and everything is once more lovely and serene.

Ten dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He reports eleven decisions, of which seven were approved, three modified and one disapproved. He recommends that the Grand Lodge take action on the proposition that all Lodges participate in the observance of the Washington memorial.

Action in regard to the Grand Dieta of Mexico was deferred, awaiting fuller investigation.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Law and Usage, the following amendments were adopted:

Article XI., Uniform Code, as follows:

In the absence of the Master the Senior Warden, in the absence of both of them the Junior Warden, and in the absence of all three if there be any Past Master of the Lodge present, he shall have the right to open and preside.

Section 27, article VIII., of Constitution, as follows:

No Lodge nor any Mason shall appear in Masonic clothing in any public procession or at any public place or meeting except

for the burial of a brother or on St. John's Days, without a dispensation from the Grand Master.

No Report on Correspondence.

James A. Scott, Muskogee, Grand Master; J. S. Murrow, Atoka, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

Fifty-fifth Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master Almon R. Dewey prefaces his address with a cursory review of Masonry in that Jurisdiction during the past few years and a disquisition on the peaceful mission of Masonry. He has to make mournful announcement of the death of three Past Grand Masters, Zephaniah C. Luse, Ralph G. Phelps and William P. Allen, to whose memories eloquent tributes are paid.

He reports having issued an edict on May 11, 1898, suspending all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Two corner stones were laid by him in person, and he reports having granted dispensations for several others which are not enumerated.

He suspended a W. M. from office for having conferred the degrees upon a candidate who had been previously rejected by a Lodge in the same county.

He had granted three dispensations for new Lodges, and discouraged the applications of others where their maintenance would be doubtful.

He is outspoken in his opposition to a cipher Ritual.

Like his predecessors, he is warm in his praise of their Grand Lodge library at Cedar Rapids, the first and only library building erected by the Masonic Fraternity. This grand enterprise has been carried through successfully without any burdensome taxation to the members of that Jurisdiction, the per capita tax never exceeding seventy-five cents per year.

He is enthusiastic over the Washington Memorial, and reports having appointed a committee of five distinguished citizens and Masons, in obedience to the resolution of last year.

He favors action by the Grand Lodge permitting the "Order of the Eastern Star" to occupy Masonic halls.

The reports of Grand Secretary and Grand Librarian Brother T. S. Parvin are marvels of minute and detailed information. An addition to the library building and a catalogue of the vast accumulations contained therein are advocated with all the persuasive eloquence of Brother Parvin, which has triumphed over so many obstacles in times past. At the next annual these pressing needs will be acted upon.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Subordinate Lodges within this Grand Jurisdiction may with propriety grant the use of their Lodge room to the Order of the Eastern Star for its meetings, ceremonies and festival, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the Lodge and Chapter of the Order Eastern Star within its jurisdiction.

The report of the Committee on Chartered Lodges shows a net gain of 405; suspended for non-payment of dues, 637; present membership, 27,907.

The Committee on Washington Memorial presented their report, from which we extract the following:

Your committee recommend that the invitation so graciously extended by the Grand Lodge of Virginia to the Grand Lodge of Iowa be accepted.

Your committee, however, believe that the Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction will not be content to allow this illustrious occasion to pass without further participation than to send a Representative of this Grand Lodge to attend the memorial exercises to be held at Richmond.

The fame of George Washington, as soldier and statesman, is not limited to state lines, but is as boundless as the language of the human race, and will be as enduring as the great republic which he did so much to establish. The flag of Washington is now the crowning glory of seventy-five millions of people, who will ever maintain it on land and sea. The father of his country was a prominent Mason and his name has been an inspiration in our Order. We think that all the Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction will desire to take some part, however humble, in commemorative ceremonies on the occasion referred to.

Your committee therefore further recommend that on the

14th day of December, 1899, each Subordinate Lodge in the Jurisdiction (or, where preferred, that the Lodges situated in one county unite for the purpose) hold such memorial ceremonies incident to the observance of the death of Worshipful Brother George Washington as may be deemed appropriate, and that the Most Worshipful Grand Master shall make such suggestions as to the programme to be observed by the particular Lodges as he may deem proper.

The report of the Special Committee on Minimum Rate of Dues contains much valuable information. We quote as follows:

A comparison of statistics gathered from Iowa Lodges, and from fifty other Grand Jurisdictions in America, makes it painfully apparent that many of our Lodges are trying to exist upon dues that are entirely inadequate to meet their own legitimate demands, without even taking charity into consideration. We find nearly two hundred Lodges charging less than \$2 dues, and a number of them below \$1, the minimum being reached in two Lodges, with but twenty-five cents dues.

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In many matters of Masonic import Iowa stands at, or near, the head of the list, but in regard to dues our position is much nearer the foot of the ladder.

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By comparing our Subordinate Lodge dues with the dues in fifty other Grand Jurisdictions in America, we find that in Iowa the average is less than \$1.95 per member, while in other Jurisdictions the minimum average is \$2.31, and the maximum average \$6.31; and a similar difference exists in the fees for dispensations, Charters and degrees. In Iowa the fee for a dispensation is \$30, for a Charter \$20, and the average fees for degrees less than \$24. In the other Grand Jurisdictions the average for dispensations is over \$40, for Charters a few cents less than \$40, and \$35 for degrees. There is but one Grand Jurisdiction in America where the charge for degrees is less than in Iowa.

In the matter of Grand Lodge affairs, we find the credit for economical management largely in our favor. Many Jurisdictions are collecting from \$1 to \$2.30 per capita for Grand Lodge dues; their receipts from dispensations and Charters are much larger than ours, while a number have extra fees for each in-

titiation or degree, additional assessments for charitable purposes, and receipts from other methods not resorted to in our Grand Lodge; none of them own a library building, and few are dispensing more in charity.

Notwithstanding the fact, however, that the total income of the Grand Lodge of Iowa is but seventy-five cents per member and 5 per cent. on work, tact and economical management have not only enabled us to erect an elegant home for, and establish and maintain the largest and finest Masonic library in the world, but to also form the nucleus of a grand charity fund that will in time occupy a place in Masonic history as distinguished as that now held by the library.

In order to provide sufficient revenue to meet necessary expenditures, and to provide especially for the Grand Charity Fund, which is inadequate to meet growing needs, the committee recommends that the Lodges whose dues are now below \$2 take steps at once by voluntary action to raise them to at least that figure. Pending such proposed action they are indisposed to advise immediate action by the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Ritual presented an exhaustive report, in which they condemn the use of ciphers and recommend a form of district instruction as best adapted for the dissemination of the standard work, thus outlined:

The plan contemplates the retention of the present Board of Custodians and of the feature of traveling Custodian; requires the board to divide the state into districts, to have a school of instruction in each district once a year, under the supervision of the Custodians. It shall be a real school for hard, earnest work, and that work ritualistic proficiency; no conferring of degrees upon actual candidates, no junketing, but business, first, last, and all the time. It contemplates, also, the presence and instruction of at least one Representative from each Lodge in the district, the Master preferably, and the commissioning for one year as Deputy Grand Lecturers of each brother passing a rigid examination in the work and recommended by the board, the expense of each school to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

To carry their plan into successful operation, they submitted certain amendments to the Code, which were adopted.

The Grand Lodge adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge dues of all members of Subordinate Lodges who enlist in the army or navy of the United States in the present war shall be remitted during their term of service; Provided, however, The Subordinate Lodges remit the Lodge dues of such members.

The Report on Correspondence, by Brother J. C. W. Coxe, is one of the attractions of Iowa's handsome volume, and a most interesting survey of the Masonic field. Colorado for 1897 has full consideration. Grand Master Roe's address receives warm approval and is carefully epitomized. The Del Norte Lodge matter is given in full, covering two pages and a half, at the end of which he says:

Thus endeth another chapter of Cerneau shame and dishonor. That this man should have been the occasion of wrecking two Lodges would seem to be enough; the brand of Cain should be on him from this time henceforth. To the Grand Lodge of Colorado we tender, in the name of this Grand Jurisdiction, our hearty thanks for the courage and courtesy of their action.

The reports of standing committees are all favorably noted. He says Brother Jasper W. Johnson "again traversed the 'Antiquity of Free Masonry,' with ability, we concede; but *cui bono?*"

As we pursue our own investigations in the same direction occasionally, we shall not venture upon a defense, at this time, of Brother Johnson.

Crom. Bowen, Des Moines, Grand Master; T. S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

Forty-second Annual, February, 1898.

The address of Grand Master William M. Shaver covers some twenty-seven pages, in which he gives careful consideration to all matters affecting the Fraternity which have come under his notice during his official term.

He opens his address with an eloquent portrayal of Masons in the character of builders for time and eternity, and having enforced the lesson taught thereby, pauses to chronicle the mournful fact that 247 members of the constituent Lodges had laid down their working tools of life, among whom were two members of the Committee on Grand Lodge Property.

He recommends the severing of all Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, which was subsequently adopted.

Four dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

The majority of the requests for special dispensations were to confer degrees out of time, or to elect and install officers after the statutory periods. He enumerates some of the requests which he denied, which were:

To receive and ballot upon petition of a maimed man for the mysteries of Masonry; to act upon petition for the mysteries, waiving time; to act upon petition of and confer all three degrees upon a college student home on vacation, waiving time; same for a petitioner who desired to make one of a team for the Royal Arch degree in a Chapter at a very early date; to enable a "very busy man" to avoid exhibiting suitable proficiency in preceding degrees; to declare a vacancy in the office of Senior Warden of a Lodge and permit that officer to dimit in order that he might become Master of a proposed Lodge under dispensation; to defer annual election of officers so as to enable members to visit another Lodge; same in order to grant ample time to confer two Third Degrees upon that evening.

He reports a number of cases of discipline growing out of illegal ballot, failure to respect objection after ballot, etc. In this connection we quote his own language:

In all three cases reported, and in some others of a similar character coming under my observation during the year, I

found a feeling predominant of sympathy for the petitioner and prejudice toward the objecting member for presuming to interfere to prevent one being made a Mason against whom "every one" believed no objection but a personal one could be urged, and a determination prevailing to make the petitioner a Mason, if it could be done legally. This is wrong in both principle and practice. A Mason in good standing has the absolute right to close the door of his Lodge against the entrance of any profane, and in the exercise of this right he is answerable only to his conscience and his God under the charge that he should act for the good of Masonry and not be controlled by prejudice. His objection may be a personal one—he has a right to have it, and may be perfectly justified in acting under it. Neither you nor I have any right to criticise or upbraid him for its exercise, and it is our duty to protect him in it as completely as in any other Masonic right he may possess.

The thirteen decisions reported were approved, with one exception.

A resident of Kansas, during a visit to Scotland, was made a Mason. The Grand Master was asked as to his status. He stated that the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and those of many other foreign countries, claimed the right to make Masons of those who were within their bounds regardless of their place of residence. As they were in fraternal correspondence with Scotland, the act must be regarded as lawful. If the brother had the proper certificate under seal and was not improper material, he could be received as a visitor, though with our American views of the matter his reception might not be very cordial.

A visitor from a Lodge in Dayton, under the new so-called Grand Lodge of Ohio, put in an appearance at one of the Topeka Lodges and asked to be allowed to visit. The Grand Master happened to be in the building, and he was informed that he could not be recognized as a regular Mason.

He reports having appointed the Committee on Washington Memorial, and that it had faithfully performed its duties, and he recommends its continuance.

He devotes considerable space to the Masonic Home and recommends that the Lodges of that Jurisdiction celebrate the 24th of June, St. John's Day, each year, as

"Masonic Home Day," and mature some plan of practical benevolence in connection therewith.

We reproduce the following:

Publishing a Masonic Trial—One of the most aggravating cases of violation of our law of secrecy in a Masonic trial which has ever come under my observation occurred during the past year. A brother was tried and expelled in one of our Lodges located near a large city. A few days later an article appeared in one of the city dailies containing a full account of the trial and the result, the number present, a picture of the accused, and all the accessories of a sensational newspaper story.

An investigation failed to locate the guilty brother, and as there were several visitors present, it seemed difficult to fasten the responsibility upon the Lodge itself. No action was taken therefore, other than to severely denounce the offense in a letter to the Lodge. Even under our present law a Master should always assume the responsibility of excluding all visitors from the Lodge during a Masonic trial, and I trust that after this communication the law will require such action.

From the Grand Secretary's report we glean the following: The net gain in membership was 203, the present total being 19,882. Thirteen Lodges report having conferred over thirty degrees during the year, as follows: Two, 31; one, 32; two, 34; two, 37; one, each, 41, 42, 45, 48, 49 and 54 degrees respectively.

A splendid oration was delivered by Brother W. F. Kuhn, of Kansas City, Mo., Grand Representative of Missouri, who took for his subject, "The Fundamentals of Free Masonry."

The report of the Committee on Revision was adopted, and all By-Laws, Standing Regulations and Edicts heretofore in effect, not included in their revision, were repealed.

A special assessment of twenty-five cents per capita was levied for the benefit of the Home, and an appropriation of \$5,000 was made from the General Fund for a heating plant and enlarging the dining room.

The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence on the subject of incorporation of Grand Lodge contains much valuable information on the matter, derived from the experience of thirty-seven Grand Jurisdictions. The

committee recommended that "the whole subject be deferred," which was adopted.

Past Grand Master John C. Postlethwaite mounts the tripod and gives us an interesting Report on Correspondence, in which Colorado for 1897 has appreciative consideration. Extracts are given from Grand Master Roe's address and five of his decisions reproduced, upon which he comments as follows:

We think No. 1 is rather severe on the fellows who have privileges of transportation extended to them for consideration of faithful and efficient services, often more expensive than paying fare, but as they can not be separated from the fellows who have a political pull, we concur in all of the decisions quoted, although No. 3 would not be applicable in Kansas, owing to the advanced position on Mexican Masonry.

Whether it is an "advanced position" time alone will determine.

Of Brother J. W. Johnson's oration, he says it is "worthy the careful perusal of every Mason," and a liberal extract is given as a specimen of its excellence.

Maurice L. Stone, Wamego, Grand Master; Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

. Ninety-eighth Annual, October, 1897.

Grand Master Robert F. Peak delivered a short, business-like address.

He makes mournful announcement of the death of two Past Grand Masters, Elisha S. Fitch and Myrax J. Williams.

He reports Masonry in a prosperous condition, notwithstanding the pressure of hard times.

He submits eight decisions, all of which were approved.

Four dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He had refused all requests to send out begging circulars.

He had visited a number of Lodges and witnessed work in all the degrees. He was surprised to find Mas-

ters and other officers consulting (* * *) while at work. He recommends specific legislation with reference to the same, or the enforcement of existing regulations. Among other things noted by him was a lack of uniformity in giving the signs, while no two Lodges apparently have the same burial service. He makes recommendations to secure more uniformity in these regards.

He closes with congratulations on the successful working of their Home under its present management.

The Centennial Committee reported that \$30,250 had been secured toward the \$50,000 which was to be raised for an Infirmary and Old Masons' Home in connection with their present Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, which it was hoped would be ready for dedication and occupancy in their centennial year, 1900. The committee were granted further time, and at the next annual expect to be able to report the raising of the proposed sum.

The Committee on Jurisprudence ask for a strict enforcement of the regulation against aids to memory. In regard to burial service, they believe it better for a committee to select one from those now in existence for the use of all the Lodges, rather than to formulate another.

The Constitution was amended and the mileage reduced from four to three cents per mile coming and going from Grand Lodge.

The following appropriation was then made of the sum thus saved:

That there be appropriated out of the sum saved by the reduction of mileage this day ordered, the sum of \$500 per annum for five years, beginning with the next session of this Grand Lodge, and that the balance of said sum so saved be paid over during the same period to the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary.

The Report on Correspondence is by Past Grand Master W. W. Clarke, who, as usual, writes a most interesting review, interspersed with extracts judiciously selected and valuable for reference. Colorado for 1896 has full consideration. Grand Master Peirce's address is styled "a complete and admirable paper." He quotes his remarks on the Wisconsin relief proposition. He is

not in accord with decision No. 14, concerning reinstatement and refusal to reinstate. He says:

The legal effect of this decision is to convert a definite into an indefinite suspension, without giving the accused an opportunity to be heard; it, as a result of a negative ballot, increases his punishment, and this without charging an offense involving moral turpitude.

He doubts whether the question of non-affiliation will be helped by the amendment adopted on the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence. The report of this committee is given due attention and he thus makes the *amende honorable*:

We believe that we will have to back down from our dissent to one of Grand Master Sanford's decisions. Brother Greenleaf is too strong for us this time.

Reginald H. Thompson, Louisville, Grand Master;
H. B. Grant, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

Eighty-sixth Annual, February, 1898.

Grand Master Albert G. Brice, in his introductory remarks, refers to the terrible experiences of drought and pestilence which many of the brethren had been called upon to pass through during the past year. Taking into account the great financial depression and the evils referred to above, he considers the condition of Masonry as encouraging. The loss in membership was five. Though the accessions were 395, the loss by death was unusually large, viz., 130; suspended (for non-payment of dues generally), 149; dimitted, 104; expelled and dropped, 17; total decrease, 400.

He has mournful announcement to make of the death of Past Grand Master J. Q. A. Fellows, to whose memory, in the circular letter to the Craft, he paid an eloquent and deserved tribute.

He reports having issued an edict suspending all Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, which act was approved by the Grand Lodge.

He calls attention to the fact that the District Deputies of that Jurisdiction are not sufficiently active in the discharge of the duties devolving upon them.

Six dispensations were granted for joint occupancy, this matter being left to the discretion of each Grand Master.

Eight decisions were reported, all of which were approved.

Under the head of "Discipline," he had ordered a Lodge to prefer charges against its Secretary for sending out an unauthorized appeal for aid. The Charter of a Lodge was arrested for six months, the W. M., who was a young Mason, having spread the ballot a third time, under the following circumstances. After the second ballot the W. M. decided that the candidate was rejected. We quote what followed:

Immediately thereafter the Lodge was called to refreshment, and the brethren assembled in the ante-room; while there considerable discussion took place and denunciation of the brother who cast the black ball. The result of this discussion induced a brother to admit he had cast the black ball. Finally, whether by persuasion, or otherwise, this brother declared his readiness to change his ballot, if opportunity was offered. On calling the Lodge to labor, a motion was made to have a third ballot, and the brother arose, stated that he cast the black ballot, and for reasons assigned withdrew his objections and requested to be allowed to correct it. The W. M., who is a young Mason, conferred with some of the older brethren, took their advice, and ordered a new ballot; whereupon the candidate was elected, introduced and received his Degree of Entered Apprentice.

The Grand Master's attention having been called to this violation of Masonic law, he ordered the Lodge "to receive no application for advancement from the candidate, or other proceedings to be taken in his case until further orders." He convened the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and laid the matter before them, when the action noted above was taken. Subsequently an appeal was received from the W. M. and twelve of the brethren, expressing loyalty and devotion to Masonry and asking that clemency be extended to the Lodge and their punishment to some extent mitigated, promising that no

cause would again be given for censure. The unexpired period of sentence was remitted and the Charter restored.

The report of Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1 is published with the Proceedings as usual, and shows that it is still active in the work of charity, having expended \$1,136.10 during the year and since its organization over \$150,000. The Grand Secretary's revised statistics show a gain of five, instead of a loss, as reported by the Grand Master.

Owing to the death of Past Grand Master Fellows, there is no Report on Correspondence. He has left a void that will be hard to fill, and we, in common with other members of the Guild, will greatly miss his valuable topical reports.

A. C. Allen, Franklin, Grand Master; Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

Seventy-ninth Annual, May, 1898.

Grand Master Joseph A. Locke reports peace and harmony within and without that Grand Jurisdiction, except in the case of the Grand Lodge of Peru, with which he had severed fraternal relations, on account of the removal of the Bible from its altars.

He pays a deserved tribute to the memory of Past Senior Grand Warden A. B. Marston, who had been an attendant of the Grand Lodge for twenty-six consecutive years, and who in other branches of Masonry had attained the highest distinction, having been Grand High Priest, Grand Master of the Grand Council, Grand Commander K. T., and honorary Thirty-third Degree A. and A. S. Rite.

He granted several dispensations to Lodges to attend divine service, seven dispensations to confer degrees out of time where good and sufficient reasons were given, and refused to grant similar requests where such were not apparent. Three dispensations for new Lodges were granted.

He reports that great benefit had resulted to the Craft from the Masonic conventions for instruction held

at various places during the year. The absence of some of the District Deputies from these gatherings is criticised as a neglect of duty.

He submits ten decisions, upon which the Committee on Jurisprudence will report at the next annual.

He accentuates the duty of dispensing individual Masonic charity instead of falling back upon the Lodge, as is too frequently the case.

The call "To arms" having been issued by the president of the United States a few days before, he devotes his conclusion to the patriotic duty of Free Masons in the threatened conflict with Spain.

From the report of the Committee on Returns, we glean the following:

There are 192 chartered Lodges and three U. D.

The net gain in membership was 106, or about half of one per cent. The total membership is 22,191. The suspensions for non-payment of dues were 305, the largest number in five years.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals had the satisfaction of reporting that not a single case had come before them for consideration.

The invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate in the Washington memorial ceremonies was accepted.

Recognition of the Grand Orients of Belgium and of Portugal was deferred until the next annual, pending fuller examination and investigation of their claims.

The action of the Grand Master in the matter of the Grand Lodge of Peru was confirmed.

Amendments to the Constitution were adopted, raising the per capita tax from "fifteen" to "twenty" cents; and concerning rejected candidates applying to other Lodges after five years, this latter being that submitted to other Grand Lodges for adoption.

The reports of twenty-five District Deputies are published in full, and give an interesting exhibit of the condition of the Lodges, which is generally satisfactory.

The attractive feature of the volume is the Report on Correspondence by the veteran reviewer, Past Grand Master Josiah H. Drummond. Colorado for 1897 receives an extended and appreciative review, in which the salient points of Grand Master Roe's address and

the business of the session are noted and commented upon with general approval. Nearly three pages are devoted to matters found in our report. In commenting upon our remarks concerning suspension for non-payment of dues and refusal to reinstate, he cites the law of that Jurisdiction, which provides two penalties for non-payment of dues—suspension from membership and deprivation of membership. Under the first, payment of dues to date of suspension reinstates the brother. Under the second, the payment of dues is regarded as a just debt, and he has no more claim to reinstatement than he has to be made a member of any other Lodge. He must therefore petition for reinstatement and be balloted for. The second penalty, we infer, is imposed upon those who are adjudged able to pay, but refuse to do so.

He fully agrees with our views concerning “non-affiliation as a cause for discipline,” and says:

“He might well have added, in our judgment, that this law is a ‘departure from the plan and purpose of Masonry,’ and more than that, an absolute violation of the landmarks of the Institution.”

He has faith in the ultimate adoption of the Maine resolutions or some similar uniform rule concerning rejected material, thus differing from the opinion expressed by us, that Grand Lodges generally would not adopt them.

Joseph A. Locke, Portland, Grand Master; Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA.

Twenty-third Annual, June, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Thomas Robinson is an able and interesting document, especially for the historical information vouchsafed in regard to the vexed subject of “physical qualification,” from which we shall excerpt later on.

He gives a gratifying exhibit of the prosperous condition of Masonry, takes a retrospective view of their progress since 1875, when three Lodges met and formed

the Grand Lodge, which to-day has sixty Lodges upon its roll, with an aggregate membership of 2,700 members.

He had granted one dispensation for a new Lodge, and says steps are being taken for the formation of two others, also for the revival of a dormant Lodge.

In the matter of visitations, he presents a creditable list.

Seven decisions are submitted, all of which were approved.

He recommends that the rank of P. D. D. G. M. be conferred on ten District Deputies, adding, "although I do not think they are all justly entitled to it."

Under the head of "Physical Qualifications," he makes extracts from the old Constitutions and Charges, with which most of our readers are familiar, and then adds the following from Brother W. J. Hughan, which defines clearly the position taken by the Grand Lodge of England, and, as such, worthy of reproduction for future reference:

I communicated at length with Right Worshipful Brother W. J. Hughan, the great English Masonic historian, and the following is his interesting reply to me, namely:

"I have not traced any reference to physical qualification in the reports of our Board of General Purposes to the Grand Lodge of England, but I know the question was considered privately by them, so to speak, twice or more in 1800. It was decided by the board that one who had lost his left foot was not unsuitable for initiation, as it was the moral and mental qualities that made fit and proper persons for initiation.

"In 1875 the then Grand Secretary wrote: 'That the Board of General Purposes feel that it is impossible to lay down a hard and fast rule as to the initiation of a candidate not perfect in his body, as required in article 4 of the Ancient Charges.' I am directed to say that the general rule in this country is to consider a candidate eligible for election who, although not perfect in his limbs, is sufficiently so to comply with and go through the various ceremonies required in the different degrees. Each case of this description must be defined on its own merits by the members of the Lodge, to whom the candidate is personally known, subject to the approval of the Master of the Lodge, who is personally responsible that the candidate was in condition to comply with the above named requirements.

"In 1877 it was also ruled 'that having a cork leg did not render a member unfit to take the Third Degree.'

"The fact is that ever since the first Grand Lodge of England (and of the world) was formed in 1717, any ordinary defect of a physical character has been no bar to initiation, because the rule as to physical completion or perfection was a prerequisite of the operative period, never has been a regulation in our book of Constitution, 1723 to 1784, and from the 'Union' Laws of 1815 to now.

"The 'Atholl' or 'Ancient' Grand Lodge rather leaned to the physical rule and hence the later provincial Grand Lodges of the United States of America and so of Canada (from which the Grand Lodge originated) followed the same custom. I scarcely know what would be a bar physically to initiation in England. Certainly anyone wholly blind, or deaf or dumb would be inadmissible with us, just as it is by Regulation Grand Lodge of Scotland agreed to February 6, 1878, and in Laws of that Grand Lodge for 1806 it was then agreed by the same body that 'Lodges are allowed to exercise their own discretion as to the initiation of candidates, who are mutilated in or minus a limb.' Also February 6, 1878. In Ireland the rule is (Laws, 1875): 'If a candidate proposed for admission be in any manner maimed, lame or defective, he shall not be initiated without a dispensation from the Grand Master or the D. G. M., the application to be made by memorial, wherein the defect shall be clearly specified.'

"Not that I apprehend there would be any difficulty in obtaining permission in the general way. If the operative laws are to be our guide, why not have seven years for the apprenticeship and be wholly Christian as to conditions of membership, besides many other conditions not observed since. There can be no fair justification to take the rule 'upright in body and limbs' and exclude others just as needful, and the result of such arbitrary selection has been a series of rulings by Grand Masters that provoke one's amusement, if it were not for the important question underlying all as to the real moral conditions."

The question is one of very great importance, inasmuch that should it be determined after careful research that the qualification set forth in the old Charges, etc., was for a *symbolical* reason, and consequently not a mere operative requirement, with which speculative Ma-

sonry has naught to do; then the Grand Lodge of England would be placed in the unenviable position of a violator of the ancient Charges, Landmarks and Constitutions of the fraternity.

"It is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovations in the body of Masonry."

If the law concerning physical qualifications was but an heirloom from the operative Craft, there would be no serious objection to heaving it over among the rubbish of the temple, to meet present conditions and more liberal ideas. But wise and patient investigators claim to have discovered that the regulation has a deep symbolical significance, and this view has been held by the majority of the American Grand Lodges since Masonry was first planted on this continent. American Masons have been, for the most part, strict constructionists, in contradistinction to our English brethren, who, as to *cork legs*, etc., have been very *loose* constructionists, whenever the matter of physical qualifications has been before them for determination.

In pursuance of his liberal views, Grand Master Robinson decided as follows:

1. An applicant for the degrees of Masonry was not debarred from admission to the Craft through having lost his second, third and fourth fingers on his right hand.

And the Grand Lodge approved the decision.

Action was taken toward severing Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Belgium was deferred until the next annual, pending further investigation.

No Report on Correspondence.

George B. Murphy, Moosomin, Grand Master; Wm. G. Scott, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

One Hundred and Eleventh Annual, November, 1897.

Grand Master Thomas J. Shryock, in his opening remarks, refers to the marvelous changes of the past decade following their centennial, which seemed but yesterday. In arts, the sciences, in governments, what changes are visible, while Free Masonry in its eternal and everlasting principles changes not.

He refers to the meeting of the General Grand Chapter and the extension of courtesies by the committee appointed by the Grand Lodge which had resulted in the strengthening of fraternal ties.

The death of Past Junior Grand Warden John W. Horn is announced in warm words of eulogy.

We quote the following concerning the making of Masons at sight:

By virtue of the authority in me vested as your Grand Master, I convened an Emergency Lodge, and made, "at sight," His Excellency Lloyd Lowndes, governor of Maryland, a Mason. An erroneous idea has arisen in the minds of many of the fraternity as to the ceremony of making a Mason "at sight," and, to erase this wrong, and perhaps damaging, impression, I deem it but proper to say that, in the making of a Mason "at sight" by the Grand Master, the candidate is required to pass through all the forms and ceremonies incident to the conferring of the three degrees, in the same manner that an applicant does in applying to a Subordinate Lodge. The impression of some, that the Grand Master, by virtue of his authority, touches a man on the shoulder and creates him a Mason, is entirely erroneous, and as I know that this impression does exist to a certain extent, I think it proper to here state, so the Craft may understand it throughout our Jurisdiction, that such is not the case. The making of a Mason "at sight" is one of the landmarks of the fraternity, the prerogative of the Grand Master, and I have on two occasions exercised that prerogative, as much for the purpose of not allowing it to become dormant as for any other reason.

He read a letter from Brother Edward T. Schultz, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, stating that his eye sight had failed to such an extent that he

was unable to read and was therefore prevented from preparing his usual report. He had indulged the hope of sufficient improvement to enable him to prepare, with the aid of a stenographer, a brief report, but his general health had also declined to such an extent as to render this impossible.

The Grand Master thus refers to his great services to Masonry:

Brother Schultz has been one of the most untiring, unselfish and devoted workers in this Grand Lodge for many years back; indeed, before many of us had seen the light of Free Masonry, and his record will live in the annals of this Grand Lodge as long as memory lasts. When all of us present have passed the Jordan of death and others have taken our place in the ranks, the name of Schultz will still be upheld in remembrance, aye, in reverence, by those who come after us.

I recommend that a suitable resolution be passed by the Grand Lodge of sympathy for our sorely afflicted brother.

Early in the session the venerable Past Grand Master Dr. Charles H. Ohr, now in his eighty-seventh year, was introduced and received with the hearty congratulations of the Grand Master and brethren.

The Grand Lodge requested Past Grand Master John M. Carter to read his address delivered before the Masonic Veteran Association of the United States, during the recent Centennial of the General Grand Chapter, and it was ordered printed with the Proceedings. We extract the following:

The real enemies of Free Masonry now are the tendencies to dissension within the ranks of the institution. They may be classed under three heads. The multiplication of degrees, the introduction of Masonic politics and the application of Masonic law.

I approach the first topic with diffidence. Having stopped at the Arch, I should not, perhaps, attempt to criticise those who wear the nodding plume or write signatures followed by degrees, to say nought of minutes and seconds. But—

"A man must serve a time to every trade save censure,

Critics all are ready made."

It has grown fashionable not only to be a Mason, but to advertise one's self as such. Observe the young brother who

has just taken all the degrees. Attached to his watch chain is the Maltese cross, with symbols of the York rite from Lodge to Commandery, though in most cases he only attends the Commandery. Upon his finger is the inevitable broad-gauge circlet of the Scottish Rite, and upon his manly bosom, displayed whenever a passing zephyr blows aside his coat, are the crescent and scimitar of the Orient.

How much Masonry does he really know and what real Masonry has he studied? Has he ever read the Ancient Charges? Has he any knowledge of the war between the Ancients and Moderns, or even of the dual Grand Lodges of New York? Does he know that under the old regime the E. A. wrought seven years before becoming a Fellow Craft, while he has taken all the degrees in the calendar in six months? Has he made a study of the philosophy of his profession? Does he know anything of the history, not to say the traditions, of Free Masonry?

Has he learned the lessons of the various degrees through which he has passed, or contented himself with their acquisition, still remaining the rough ashlar he was on his entrance into the Lodge? Has he any higher ambition than to wear the uniform and boast the possession of the many steps he has passed over so quickly and so ignorantly? Or, if perchance he has learned some of the work, has he mastered its philosophy as well as its verbiage?

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Does the multiplication of branches add to, or subtract from, the strength of the old tree we revere so much? If the latter, would it not be better to prune off some of them rather than impair the vitality of the parent trunk—reduce the quantity rather than the quality of the fruit? Return to something of the simplicity of John Moore's day.

Note the present strife between the warring factions of the Scottish Rite. Are you aware, Brother President, that your invitation to our Maryland veterans to join the national body must be declined, because a number of our brethren are debarred by a provision in your Constitution relative to membership in one of these factions? I do not pretend to compare the merits of the two, to determine which is right and which is wrong, but if the dissension now existing is to continue, I would say with Mercutio, "A plague 'o both your houses."

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master; Jacob H. Medairy, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Quarterlies and Annual, 1897.

We have received Proceedings of Quarterlies held March, June, September and December, and the Annual, held December 28, 1897. Included in these are twelve special communications, several of which were held for the purpose of participating in the centennial celebrations of the constituent Lodges, which have been numerous in this old Jurisdiction the past few years, and of much historical importance.

At the Quarterly held December 8, 1897, Grand Master Charles C. Hutchinson delivered his annual address, which was largely confined to his official acts and business matters, and embodying statistical information derived from the reports of Grand Officers.

He announces in appropriate words of eulogy the deaths of Past Grand Master Otis E. Weld, Past Senior Grand Warden W. H. Chessman and Past Junior Grand Wardens Wyzeman Marshall, Edward Avery, Benjamin Dean and E. W. Burr.

He records a large number of visitations. The explanations of the work were held in sixteen districts with satisfactory results.

The net gain in membership was 956; present membership, not including Lodges in Chile and China, 38,416. The initiations decreased 546.

The Masonic Temple at Boston is being rebuilt at a cost of upwards of \$460,000. The interior frame is to be of steel and the exterior walls of granite, making the building strictly fire-proof. It is to be completed by May 1, 1899.

The Masonic Education and Charity Trust now amounts to \$119,894.63, and the other special funds show a small increase on account of added interest.

Past Grand Master Charles A. Welch presented to the Grand Lodge an oil portrait of the late Bishop George M. Randall, of Colorado, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts in 1852, 1853 and 1854. The Grand Lodge returned a vote of thanks for the welcome gift.

The annual election took place at this session, but the installation occurred at the Annual Communication, December 28, 1897, which was followed by the Feast of

St. John, which is always a grand affair. Forty-seven pages are required to record the oratorical pyrotechnics.

C. C. Hutchinson, Boston, Grand Master; Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

Fifty-fourth Annual, January, 1898.

Grand Master Lou B. Winsor reports a most prosperous year. The accessions to membership embraced the best citizens in every community in the Jurisdiction, while unusual activity was displayed in the erection of Masonic halls and Temples.

The deaths of two Past Senior Grand Wardens are announced, namely Brothers Hiram C. Hodge and James C. Wood.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges and several other applications were under consideration.

He records the dedication of nineteen beautiful Masonic halls, eight of which were Temples owned by the Fraternity and devoted solely to the uses of Masonry.

He laid three corner stones, the proposed structures being respectively a church, Masonic Temple and armory.

He reports but twenty-five decisions, though 372 questions had been propounded to him, entailing a vast amount of unnecessary labor, owing to the ignorance of Masters or their disinclination to look up the law. He devotes some space to this matter, with a view to a plan for the suppression of ignorant Masters. In this connection he propounds these pertinent questions:

Why is it not just as essential that a Worshipful Master should be able to rule and govern his Lodge according to the law, as that he should be able to confer the degrees according to the Ritual?

And why is it not just as essential for this Grand Lodge to know that the Worshipful Masters are versed in the law, as that they have committed the Masonic lectures according to the Ritual?

He believes the resolution adopted at the last session relative to the use of the words "Masons" and "Masonic," etc., in connection with private business enterprises, was too sweeping, and had worked injury to reliable insurance companies, and he is in favor of a reconsideration.

In this connection we may state that an amendment to the Grand Lodge By-Laws was offered, giving the Grand Master authority to grant a license for the use of the above words when deemed proper. The Committee on Jurisprudence saw no urgent necessity for a "Masonic Commissioner of Insurance" in the person of their Grand Master, and the amendment was rejected.

He announces that the Michigan Masonic Home had passed into the control of the four Grand Masonic bodies of the state. It became necessary to authorize an appeal to be made to the Lodges for its support, and \$1,404.92 was contributed.

His visitations were of a most enjoyable character. The following incident will be regarded by many as an "innovation" and one not to be followed generally:

My nerves experienced a severe shock, however, upon this visit, as a strange sight met my eyes, new to my experience in Masonry.

Soon after the Lodge was called from labor to refreshment after the work of the first section of the degree, the Lodge room was invaded by about sixty beautifully dressed, charming ladies, who arranged themselves in a semi-circle, facing the east and a brother presented them to me as the members of the Eastern Star Lodge. One lady, the Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 121, stepped forward and delivered an address, that it would bother the noted orators of this Grand Lodge to equal, in beauty of thought and choice of language, and wound up by presenting me with a beautiful silver vase of roses, the vase being neatly engraved with an inscription of the occasion.

I assure you, my brethren, that your Grand Master was the more deliciously embarrassed at this event, than from any experience occurring to him during his term of office.

He condemns the growing tendency to political methods in connection with their annual elections, and says:

When headquarters are opened at the hotels by the various candidates, where cigars and refreshments are dispensed, and the public daily papers announce the names of the candidates and discuss their probabilities of election, we certainly bring our Grand Lodge elections down to a political level.

Past Grand Master Hugh McCurdy, chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, submitted a very full and detailed report concerning dimitted and non-affiliated Masons, which matters were referred to that committee at the last annual. In order to obtain the fullest information the committee requested the Grand Master to issue a circular to the Lodges, requesting answers to certain questions propounded, the same to be sent to the chairman of the committee.

The questions were as follows:

How many were dimitted from your Lodge last year?

State the reason given in the application for each dimitt?

What are the annual dues of your Lodge?

How many members are in arrears for two years' dues and upwards?

The facts elicited showed that 612 had been dimitted and 428 suspended for non-payment of dues during the last year; 8,000 members were in arrears for two years' dues and upwards, estimating the arrearage at \$2 a year, the committee found the outstanding dues to be \$32,000. In some of the Lodges more than one-half of the members are in arrears for over two years' dues. The statistics for ten years show suspensions for non-payment of dues, 4,387; reinstatements, 983; showing a loss of 3,404. During the same period 7,312 were dimitted and 5,558 affiliated. The committee, after due consideration, finally recommended the adoption of five amendments to the Grand Lodge Regulations and By-Laws, the substance of which were prompt collection of dues, those in arrears for one year or more, unless the same are remitted, to have charges preferred against them. No Lodge shall in any case suffer a member to be two years in arrears, the dues must be collected or remitted. Dimitts are to be issued only for the purpose of organizing a new Lodge, or to a brother who has removed from the Jurisdiction of his Lodge, etc. Affilia-

tion fee of one dollar exacted by Grand Lodge from Subordinates for each affiliate from without the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge to be abolished, and no Lodge shall charge an affiliation fee. Charges to be preferred against Masons holding dimits unless they apply for membership within one year, etc. These amendments provoked much discussion, and they were referred to a special committee to report next year.

We have expressed our views regarding "Compulsory Membership" under Idaho.

Fraternal relations were suspended with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Fifteen hundred dollars was appropriated to the Masonic Home, and a per capita tax of ten cents annually levied for its support.

Brother J. S. Conover presents a voluminous Report on Correspondence, covering 300 pages, in which quality predominates over quantity. Colorado for 1897 receives a most fraternal review of four and a half pages, in which Grand Master Roe's address, the reports of committees and the business of the session receive full consideration. In his conclusion, Brother Conover details his multifarious duties in connection with his Secretaryship of Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council, as well as Correspondent for all three. How he does it is known only to himself; enough to say, his work is acceptable and long may he flourish the quill.

James Bradley, Port Huron, Grand Master; Jefferson S. Conover, Coldwater, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

Forty-fifth Annual, January, 1898.

The address of Grand Master James F. Lawless first engages our attention.

He reports a prosperous condition of affairs with a happier feeling among the brethren than has existed for years.

Two dispensations for new Lodges were granted, and at various localities preliminary steps are in progress for the organization of others in the near future.

He reports but one decision, all questions having been answered by a reference to their Digest.

In three of the Lodges the conditions reported by him were a disgrace to the Fraternity, and the Grand Lodge arrested the Charter of one, gave the other a year in which to redeem itself, while matters in the third had been satisfactorily settled by the District Deputy.

He administers a severe rebuke to the District Deputies for failure to send in their reports. Out of thirty-four, eleven only had discharged their duty in this respect.

He recommends suspension of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He pays feeling tributes to the memory of deceased brethren, among whom were Past Deputy Grand Masters David B. Loomis and Henry N. Setzer, and Past Senior Grand Warden Luther Z. Rogers.

From the report of the Grand Secretary we glean the following statistics:

Referring to the 1897 Proceedings, he says:

They contain a table, prepared with great care, and which I believe to be strictly accurate, showing in detail the gains and losses, from all sources, of every Lodge in the state, active or defunct, from their organization up to January 1, 1897. With the information gained from the returns of 1897 added, the footings, up to January 1, 1898, would be as follows:

Joined at organization and since, 11,163; raised, 21,814; restored, 1,342. Total gains, 34,319. Withdrawn, 10,174; stricken from roll, 4,957; suspended, 129; expelled, 129; died, 2,814. Total losses, 18,203. Gains over losses, 16,116.

These figures, while of great interest now, will be doubly so in the years to come. They include the sixteen Lodges which have been stricken from our roll.

The returns show a net gain of 210, and the present membership, 15,691.

Masonic intercourse was suspended with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The report of the Committee on Returns shows that the delinquent dues of the Lodges amount to \$32,613.80, which is \$6,000 less than last year. Their other assets are \$290,062.64, being an increase of \$53,000. Liabilities

\$35,802.56, a decrease of \$2,000. There are 205 Chartered Lodges and three U. D.

Brother Robert C. Hine, Grand Orator, delivered a very able and interesting address.

The Report on Correspondence was written as usual by Brother Irving Todd, which is a guarantee of its good quality. Colorado for 1897 receives a brief review, in which Grand Master Roe's address, decisions, reports of committees and general business of the session are condensed into a page and a half, and yet make a readable and fair summary.

Alonzo T. Stebbins, Rochester, Grand Master; Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

Eightieth Annual, February, 1898.

The address of Grand Master John S. Cobb is a clear and explicit record of his official acts and a summary of all matters of importance which had engaged his attention. He says:

Despite the overflow last spring, and the yellow fever last fall, which so thoroughly paralyzed all kinds of business and travel, we are alive, prosperous and happy. These great calamities test our principles and draw us closer together.

He reports having drawn orders on the Grand Treasurer for \$100 for drought sufferers of Louisiana; \$50 for Armenian sufferers, and \$100 from Grand Lodge charity fund for yellow fever sufferers, to be distributed by the Grand Secretary. The response for aid was so liberal throughout that and sister Jurisdictions, that an official appeal was rendered unnecessary.

Here he paused, and the Grand Lodge, led by Rev. Brother N. G. Augustus, rendered thanksgiving and praise to God for deliverance from the dread destroyer.

He granted nine special dispensations for various purposes, and refused thirteen applications where the emergency was not deemed sufficient to justify.

He reports two cases of discipline. In one he suspended the W. M. of a Lodge for immoral and unmasonic

conduct; in the other, a Lodge was reprimanded under the following circumstances:

For balloting at a called meeting, on applications for advancement—(the balloting having been inadvertently omitted or overlooked at the regular meeting)—they claiming and arguing that this called meeting was a continuance of the regular meeting. Also for disregarding the advice of the D. D. G. M., who was present and protesting against such action.

Ordered re-ballot at next regular meeting and healing by re-obligating.

The brethren accepted the reprimand very gracefully—cheerfully obeyed the order and promising to not do so again. I am satisfied they will keep their promise.

He granted six dispensations for new Lodges.

He recommends the suspension of all fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Three corner stones were laid, one in person and two by proxy. One of the latter was laid under peculiar circumstances, as thus narrated by the Grand Master:

July 21, at the request of Pearl Lodge No. 23, I appointed R. W. Brother J. L. Power Special Deputy to lay the corner stone of public school building at West Jackson. He reported that when everything was in readiness for the ceremonies, the stampede caused by the fever scare—which proved to be more than a mere scare—had begun; but notwithstanding all this, the old Roman, true to his post and his trust, solitary and alone, proceeded to the place, and in the presence of ten or a dozen spectators, presented an abridged form of the ceremonies, deposited the copper casket, lowered the stone and made the proclamation. To the hypercritical this may appear "grand, gloomy and peculiar," but to all who know the man and the surroundings, it evinced a heroism worthy of our emulation.

The Grand Lodge withdrew its recognition of the Grand Lodge of Peru, and postponed action in regard to the recognition of the Grand Dieta of Mexico until in possession of more definite information.

The Committee on the State of the Craft made an interesting report, which was adopted. In order to obtain the necessary data on which to formulate the same, they prepared twenty-four questions, which they sent

to the Lodges, and from most of which they received replies. We gather from their report the following particulars: The Lodges generally are in a healthy condition; they have received many visits from Grand Officers; the festivals of the Saints John were quite generally observed; public installations were the rule; few disturbing elements were reported; non-affiliates were in conspicuous evidence; charities aggregated \$3,264; proficiency before advancement was required; most of the Lodges own their halls, etc. Question No. 7 embraces the following:

What proportion of the members hold membership in any religious denomination? (Give the exact number, if possible.)

We have doubts as to its propriety in a Masonic connection. However, the committee elicited the fact that 90 per cent. held membership in religious denominations. Another matter brought out was that a very few Lodges have libraries, and Masonic literature is not valued highly by the Craft generally. The Grand Secretary's report is quite complete as to detail. He gives a list of thirteen Lodges which conferred twenty or more degrees during the year, the leading Lodge having conferred thirty-six degrees.

The Grand Lodge voted to print the valuable Digest prepared by Past Grand Master Frederic Speed.

The Grand Lodge refused to adopt the report of the special committee in favor of paying mileage and per diem to Past Grand Masters.

Fifty dollars was appropriated for the suffering Cubans.

A committee of three was appointed to confer with like committees of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias touching the building of a home for indigent Masons, Odd Fellows and Pythians, their widows and orphans.

The Report of the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence covers some fourteen pages, devoted to decisions of questions submitted. While the legal mind will revel in the minute consideration given to every phase of the questions, the ordinary brain will experience difficulty in always comprehending their scope.

Past Grand Master A. H. Barkley again submits a

most excellent Report on Correspondence, prefaced by a disquisition upon the "Good Effects of Masonry on the Individual Masons and Others."

Colorado for 1897 is briefly reviewed. He refers to our comments on the superabundance of law in that Jurisdiction, with which he is in sympathy, and under "Missouri" he gives free expression to his opinion in these words:

The fewest words used in answering questions is always best. Let us then have plain, simple answers, based on common-sense principles, without argument, and then, as the uncle said to his nephew, "stop and quit." What our Lodges need is to be told what the law is. A lengthy argument either preceding or following the answer can serve no other purpose than that of confusing the common mind.

This seems to have stirred up the Law Committee, and in an addenda to his report Brother Barkley withdraws the above, "and pleads guilty to a thoughtless invasion of the jurisdiction of another committee of Grand Lodge."

We think the united sentiment of the Guild will be to the effect that no apology should have been made. The opinions expressed by writers of these reports frequently run counter to those of their own Grand Lodges and other committees, but as they are regarded in the light of individual expressions they are not compelled to retract. The cuticle of the aforesaid Law Committee is altogether too sensitive.

John M. Stone, Jackson, Grand Master; J. L. Power, Jackson, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

Seventy-seventh Annual, October, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Dorsey A. Jamison is an able and business-like presentment of his official acts and matters affecting that Jurisdiction. Referring to the past history of that Grand Lodge, he says:

During the seventy-six years of its existence it has kept pace with and has materially aided civilization in its wonderful

progress in this western country. Its influence has permeated and extended to the uttermost parts of our commonwealth. It has been a powerful instrument in the relieving of distress, in the betterment and elevation of mankind, and of bringing us to a full realization of the fact that the human race is one great brotherhood, and that we as members thereof owe duties to our fellow men as well as to ourselves.

He granted four dispensations for new Lodges, arrested the Charters of four, suspended the Charter of one, and suspended four W. M.'s from office.

He refers to the good work accomplished by their schools and Lodges of instruction.

He recommends a standing committee on Ritual, to whom all matters in connection therewith shall be referred.

His rulings as to physical qualifications are in line with the old usages of the Craft.

Thirteen decisions are submitted, three of which were disapproved. Among the latter was No. 10, concerning which the Committee on Jurisprudence commented as follows:

In decision No. 10, the Grand Master holds, that the daughter of a Master Mason who, at the age of about 21 years, marries a profane is not entitled to Masonic charity. We find no such restriction in either By-Laws or Obligation. She is as much a daughter of a Master Mason after her marriage as she was before, and entitled to recognition as such. Masonic charity knows no bounds, and is certainly not limited by the *duties* imposed by our obligation.

He refused all applications for the issuance of circular letters for charity in behalf of individuals or Lodges.

He had visited between thirty-five and forty Lodges and written upwards of five hundred letters.

He reviews at considerable length the subject of Mexican Masonry, saying in conclusion:

It has been and is contended by many prominent Masons that the actions of our Grand Lodge in regard to Toltec Lodge constitute a tacit recognition by this Grand Lodge of the "Gran

Dieta Simbolica" of Mexico. Be that as it may, much light has been thrown upon this subject since 1894. In my opinion, the time has arrived when this Grand Lodge should come out squarely, and unequivocally, and either recognize or refuse to recognize the "Gran Dieta Simbólica" of Mexico.

He recommends that the matter be referred to a special committee of five to fully consider and report on same.

Under the head of "Masonic Home," he refers to the noble work of the Order of the Eastern Star in erecting the "Eastern Star Chapel," with a seating capacity of about 500, at a cost of \$3,600, as its contribution to the Home.

Before concluding he pays feeling tributes to the memory of two Past Grand Masters, Samuel H. Saunders and George R. Hunt.

From the ninth annual report of the Masonic Home we learn that on October 1, 1897, there were in that institution 124 beneficiaries, as follows: Fifty-two girls, thirty-three boys, twenty-two men and seventeen women. From the facts submitted, it is doing a noble work and one which must redound to the honor and glory of Masonry in that Jurisdiction.

The Committee on Mexican Masonry were granted until the next annual to make report.

Several amendments to the By-Laws were presented and lie over until the next annual.

The Committee on Jurisprudence decided as follows the question submitted:

One of the Wardens and a Past Master holding a proxy of a Worshipful Master of a Lodge are in attendance upon this communication of the Grand Lodge, and both claim the per diem and mileage which the Grand Lodge proposes to pay to one representative for each Lodge.

We are of opinion that the highest officer of the Lodge in attendance is entitled to the mileage and per diem, and that under the provisions of the Constitution a proxy "shall be entitled to the same privileges" as the one he represents. We therefore hold that in the case stated the proxy of the Worshipful Master is entitled to receive the mileage and per diem, and to cast the Lodge vote.

This caused an animated debate, and the following amendment, after much discussion, was adopted by a vote of 161 to 105:

In lieu of the last paragraph of said subdivision insert: "We are of opinion that the highest actual officer of the Lodge in attendance is entitled to the mileage and per diem."

The reports of fifty-five District Deputies are published in the Appendix.

The Grand Secretary's recapitulation, at the end of the volume, shows a net loss of 173. The number of Lodges, 561; approximate membership, 30,616; eight Lodges having failed to make returns. Nearly a thousand (970) were suspended for non-payment of dues.

The Report on Correspondence is the twentieth that has emanated from the experienced pen of Past Grand Master John D. Vincil. While in his conclusion he bewails the fact that he is unable to reach his ideal, he may console himself with the reflection that he is but one of a numerous company who make open confession to such failure, among whom we desire to stand up and be counted. His numerous readers will fail to discover any shortcomings in his present report, the 160 pages of which are filled with incisive and apt commentary. Colorado for 1896 is accorded three and a half pages, in which Grand Master Peirce's address is noted as one of "ability and merit" and its essential features preserved and his decisions approved. M. W. Brother Bromwell's reply in behalf of Grand Representatives is found to be "most felicitous," Brother Milsom's oration "short and sweet," and the business of the session and the reports of committees summarized and generally approved. Our report has extended notice. We quote the following:

Brother Greenleaf treated tersely, though briefly, the subject of the "Antiquity of Masonry and the Degrees." Quoting from some discourse delivered on the 24th of June, 1734, he gives us an extract from the sermon, that is to this writer endowed with too much nebulosity to be satisfactory or convincing. The extract reads as follows: "They, the Free Masons, know that by the Third Heaven or Paradise is figured out the Third and chief Degree of Masonry." What the preacher in-

tended to convey by such a declaration in his sermon in 1734 may be left to conjecture. If the Third Degree has no better foundation in fact, than is deduced from the spiritual fervor of St. Paul, who was caught up into the Third Heaven, the tenability of the Third Degree is so attenuated and far removed from its practical and symbolical uses now, that we can not realize assurance as to the link or nexus connecting the two subjects or ideas.

The above extract, taken in connection with remarks concerning "the vast antiquity alone of our Constitution," also found in the same discourse, was, to our mind, valuable evidence that in 1734 Masons regarded the Third as the *chief* degree of Masonry. As this was but seventeen years from 1717, the period of the revival and the organization of the Grand Lodge of England, we deemed it an effectual answer to those who claimed that the Third Degree was added, and became a part of, our present system sometime between 1723 and 1726. Think you, Masons would discourse on the vast antiquity of Masonry and of the Third as the *chief* Degree, if it had only become a part of its esotery in 1723, *eleven* years before? That was the point we made, and it is not to be obscured by any doctrinal point of our clerical brother.

E. J. Tygard, Butler, Grand Master; John D. Vincil, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

Thirty-third Annual, September, 1897.

After words of welcome and congratulation, Grand Master Charles H. Gould turns his thoughts to the pioneer Masons who organized that Grand Lodge, prefaced by the following stanza:

"I hear the tread of pioneers,

Of nations yet to be,

The first low wash of living waves,

Where soon shall roll a human sea."

He refers to their heroic efforts in behalf of law and order and in the cause of the oppressed and defenceless.

which resulted in sweeping from their midst desperadoes and the defiers of the laws of God and man, and the establishment of orderly communities, which at length attained the crown of statehood.

He pays a fitting tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master John Stedman.

In the case of an E. A. who lost a portion of his thumb after initiation, he instructed the Master to proceed as if no accident had occurred.

No decisions are reported.

He recommends that the resolutions concerning the ineligibility of persons engaged in the liquor traffic, and the requiring of examination in the Third Degree, be so amended as to have more of the force of an absolute law.

He also recommends that the force of an objection be more clearly defined and a distinction made as to its effect in the case of initiation and advancement. In changing to the one-ballot system, he says they have made an objection of greater force than a black ball.

We quote his remarks on

MISPLACED HUMOR.

It is unfortunate for the Craft that there are a few brethren who think they must be funny. They delight in approaching a candidate with remarks which, in their perverted imagination, are excruciatingly humorous. It is needless to repeat their catch phrases. None of them are new or original, but all of them are unmasonic, as they destroy in advance the beautiful lessons sought to be conveyed. The lectures and ceremonies of Free Masonry have been compiled by the best intellect and experience of the ages, with an earnest and sincere desire to impress wise and important truths. To have their serious contemplation burlesqued by a thoughtless brother is embarrassing to candidates and distasteful to the Craft in general. The degrees of Masonry are too earnest and by far too serious to be made the object of attempted witticisms.

He also has a word of timely warning against "unnecessary concern" and anxiety as to the numerical increase of the Fraternity.

The Deputy Grand Master, Edward C. Day, also submitted a report of his official acts during the absence from the state of the Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge Charity Fund has reached the sum of \$5,249.84.

The Grand Lodge By-Laws were amended and the force of an objection defined.

In the case of a candidate for initiation, if an objection is not withdrawn within sixty days, it shall have the effect of a rejection by ballot.

In the case of objection to advancement, the objection shall be referred to a committee; if the cause be assigned, the brother objected to shall have opportunity to be heard before the committee and before the Lodge. In the final report, if two-thirds decide the objection not a valid or Masonic one, the Lodge may confer the degree or degrees.

The Grand Lodge of Tasmania and the Grand Orients of Greece and of Italy were recognized.

The retiring Grand Master presented to his newly installed successor the signet ring which has been worn by eleven Grand Masters of that Jurisdiction. The address was most appropriate, containing historical references to signet rings of ancient time and its emblematic significance of confidence and esteem for the wearer.

The Report on Correspondence, by Past Grand Master Cornelius Hedges, is one of great interest, being a written review without extracts, all matters being condensed and summarized. His report covers 173 pages, the dry details of the Proceedings being constantly relieved by the lighter touches of Brother Hedges' humor. Colorado for 1896 receives a fraternal and appreciative review of three pages, in which Grand Master Peirce's address has extended notice. Referring to his attitude regarding Mexican Masonry, he says:

We are sorry that Brother Peirce is so skeptical of the legitimacy of Mexican Masonry. Does he realize what a bond of peace among states and nations exists in the Masonic tie, how it lifts, liberalizes and unites its votaries? It seems to us that all who desire peace and enlightened liberty for our continent, rather than the waste and wretchedness of war, should recognize the means and favorable opportunity that Masonry offers to cement true and lasting friendship with our neighbors to the south.

We also note the following comment:

We are in doubt whether Brother Peirce declined to grant a dispensation to bury a Mason suspended for non-payment of dues, because the application was made by telephone, or because the object was improper. We think the Lodge should be trusted with some discretion in such a case. Sometimes worthy brothers are suspended on this score, too proud to let their distress be known. If it were the dying request of such an one to have a Masonic burial, we would not look for any law or usage to refuse it, but do it, as long as there was no law against it.

He has warm praise withal for the Colorado brethren. He says "Brother Peirce's administration was creditable to himself and profitable to the Craft;" that M. W. Brother Bromwell made an eloquent response in behalf of the Grand Representatives; that "Grand Orator Milson gave a charming little talk on practical charity," and then "jollies up" Brother Ed. with such honied words, calling him a "pillar of strength, a walking encyclopædia, the power behind the throne, and all other good things combined." This will do for a sample caramel!—a sweet morsel for Ed. to roll under his tongue. He also has something to say about the writer calculated to swell our bump of self-esteem. We do not care to sail under false colors; the poetry referred to in Necrology was not ours, the printer having failed to insert quotation marks.

Edward C. Gay, Helena, Grand Master; Cornelius Hedges, Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

Fortieth Annual, June, 1897.

Owing to a fire in the office of the printers, the Proceedings were delayed and did not reach us until December, 1897.

Two hundred and twenty-one of the two hundred and twenty-eight chartered Lodges were represented.

Grand Master Charles J. Phelps refers in his opening remarks to the Turkish atrocities in Armenia, the war between Turkey and Greece, and Spain's atrocious

cruelty to the struggling Cubans, all of which is now past history. The latter nation has been punished for its cruelty and has lost Cuba and its richest colonies, as the result of its defeat by the United States in the war recently waged in the cause of humanity.

He reports material prosperity in bounteous crops, which Masonry has shared and reflected.

Mournful announcement is made of the deaths of Past Grand Master George Armstrong and Past Junior Grand Warden Charles W. Hamilton.

Forty-one decisions are submitted, six of which were disapproved and four modified.

He laid two corner stones, one for a court house, the other that of one of the permanent buildings of the Trans-Mississippi exposition, the ceremonies in connection with which were witnessed by 20,000 people.

He deposed a W. M. from office for having raised a F. C. in the face of an objection to his advancement.

He reports having called an Occasional Lodge within the hall of Acacia Lodge No. 34, at Schuyler, where, with the assistance of the Senior Grand Warden, Grand Secretary, W. M. of said Lodge and twenty-five brethren, he exercised the prerogative of a Grand Master to make Masons at sight, by conferring all the degrees upon his son.

The Jurisprudence Committee, to whom the above matter was referred, presented the following report. The Grand Master requested a postponement of its consideration until the next Annual Session, which the Grand Lodge refused to agree to, and the report was adopted:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report that we have had under consideration the matter of making Harry E. Phelps a Mason, as reported in the address of the Grand Master.

Without entering into a discussion of the question of whether or not the prerogative of making Masons at sight ever inhered in the office of Grand Master, we are of the opinion that, by reason of our situation and Masonic traditions, such prerogative does not inhere in the office of Grand Master in Nebraska. We therefore disapprove the action of the Grand Master in making his son, Harry E. Phelps, a Mason at sight, as reported in his ad-

dress. The Grand Master is the creature of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, and his prerogatives are defined and limited thereby.

The same committee subsequently decided a query submitted, as follows, which was also approved by the Grand Lodge:

What is the Masonic status of Harry E. Phelps, referred to by the Grand Master in his address, under the head of "Occasional Lodge?" Answer: Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report that in their opinion Harry E. Phelps is an irregularly made Mason, and recommend that the Grand Master, in person or by proxy, be directed to go to Schuyler, as soon as convenient, and heal said Harry E. Phelps in due Masonic manner, first requiring payment of the fees prescribed by the laws of the Lodge within whose jurisdiction said Harry E. Phelps resided, for conferring of the three degrees of Masonry.

A wide difference of opinion exists among prominent Masons as to this prerogative. If it is an inherent right, as there is much evidence to show, neither the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, nor any other Grand Lodge, can by any provision of their Constitutions abridge it. Our space will not permit us to enlarge upon this question at this time.

The following resolution was adopted, which will doubtless have the effect of keeping the members in attendance, instead of absenting themselves to attend to private matters during the session:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that the elections of officers shall not be begun until the Grand Secretary announces that there is no further business on the Grand Secretary's desk which need the attention of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge sent a fraternal greeting to their first Grand Master, Robert C. Jordan, whose infirmities prevented his attendance.

The annual oration was delivered by Brother Samuel R. Smith, Grand Orator, who delivered a fine discourse upon the duties and responsibilities which devolve upon Masons in the upbuilding of their spiritual temple.

During the session Past Grand Master Byron L. Carr and W. Brother Calvin E. Reed, of Colorado, were vis-

itors and received a hearty welcome. Brother Reed is the Representative of Nebraska near this Grand Lodge.

Owing to the fire alluded to at the beginning of this review, the Report on Correspondence failed to materialize.

John B. Dinsmore, Sutton, Grand Master; William R. Bowen, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

Thirty-fourth Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master Albert Lackey opens his address with a reference to the then existing war with Spain.

He reports a fairly prosperous condition of the Craft in that Jurisdiction.

He is fully in accord with the Washington Memorial observance.

He submits six decisions, two of which were disapproved.

He recommends the recognition of the Grand Dieta of Mexico.

He reports having issued an edict, on February 9, 1898, suspending all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He had received a request for recognition from the Grand Orient of Belgium, which he submitted for consideration.

The Committee on Digest were granted further time and are to report at the next annual.

The Grand Dieta of Mexico was recognized.

A short address was delivered by the Grand Orator, Brother Trenmore Coffin, upon the beauties of Free Masonry, its aims and ends.

Brother A. D. Bird again writes a concise and interesting Report on Correspondence, supplementing the same with statistics and information regarding Masonic Homes, topical thoughts found in the Proceedings reviewed, etc. Colorado for 1897 receives an appreciative review.

Matthew Kyle, Virginia City, Grand Master; C. N. Nateware, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Thirtieth Annual, August, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Julius T. Whitlock is closely confined to a recital of his official acts.

He notes the queen's jubilee and recommends that a suitable address be engrossed and forwarded to her Majesty.

He reports most cordial relations with other Grand Lodges. The E. A. Degree was conferred on a brother who was found to have his residence in Massachusetts. The Grand Master of that Jurisdiction, while visiting St. John, granted a waiver of jurisdiction and the matter was thus amicably settled.

He pays an eloquent tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master William F. Bunting.

He discouraged all requests for dispensations for public installations, such being, in his judgment, not generally conducive to the interests of the Craft.

Eight dispensations were granted to wear regalia at divine service, the Grand Master attending on one occasion by invitation of one of the Lodges.

In the matter of visitations he had been fairly industrious, but was prevented by press of other duties from visiting the Lodges in the north and east of the province.

Grand Master T. B. Flint, accompanied by P. G. Master J. W. Rhuland and Brother J. M. Lawson, D. D. G. M., of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, were welcomed with Grand Honors and successively addressed the Grand Lodge, their remarks being received with applause and doing much to strengthen the bonds of fraternal sympathy between their respective Grand Lodges.

The committee appointed last year to confer with committees from the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in regard to a Masonic Home, presented their report, embodying the following resolutions, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this meeting, while affirming the desirability of establishing a Masonic Home for the Maritime Provinces, is strongly of opinion that the establishment of a sufficient fund should precede any other action to that end.

Resolved, That the whole matter be referred to the different Grand Lodges, with the request that each Grand Lodge, beside appealing to their Subordinate Lodges for contributions, will year by year contribute to a fund looking to the foundation of such a home.

Resolved, That in case of the foregoing resolutions being carried out, that each Grand Lodge shall elect a trustee, who collectively shall be the custodians of such fund, said fund to be known as the Maritime Masonic Home Fund.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent to each of the Grand Lodges in the Maritime Provinces.

The Board of General Purposes reported some nineteen amendments to the Constitution, all of which were adopted. Among them was one providing for the election of Grand Tiler by nomination and open vote; another providing for same procedure in the case of the Tiler of a Lodge.

Honorary membership appears, by the following section, to be a distinction without a difference:

Honorary members, upon whom the right of voting has been conferred, shall have all the privileges of membership, including the right of holding office in the Lodge.

The Committee on Masonic Home for the Maritime Provinces was continued, and the Grand Master was added to the committee.

The statistics show thirty-one Lodges with a membership of 1,781.

No. Report on Correspondence.

Thomas Walker, St. John, Grand Master; J. T. Hartt, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

One Hundred and Ninth Annual, May, 1898.

Grand Master Henry A. Marsh, after words of cordial welcome and congratulation, pauses to pay fitting tributes to the memories of Past Grand Master Andrew Bunton, Past Deputy Grand Masters John S. Kidder and Wm. H. W. Hinds, and Past Junior Grand Warden Joseph Shattuck.

Seven dispensations were granted for Lodges to attend religious services in Masonic clothing, and nine for public installations.

He attended the centennial celebration of Benevolent Lodge No. 7, at Milford, which was a grand affair.

The Masonic Home project "drags its slow length along" with a prospect of ultimate success, several of the Lodges having already subscribed an amount equal to or in excess of \$1 per member in aid of the same.

The affairs of this old Jurisdiction move along so placidly that we find little food for comment.

The Jurisprudence Committee reported no business for consideration.

The reports of the District Deputies contain much valuable information concerning the Lodges in their respective districts.

The invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate in the Washington Memorial observance was accepted and referred to the Grand Master, with power to act.

We glean the following statistics: Number of Lodges, 77; membership, 9,224; net increase, 113. There were only forty-seven suspended for non-payment of dues.

Brother A. S. Wait continues to furnish the Report on Correspondence, which is the chief attraction of the volume. It is very largely a written report, with a slight sprinkling of extracts. Colorado for 1897 receives generous treatment, the address of Grand Master Roe, reports of committees and the business of the session being well summarized and their salient features preserved.

John McLane, Milford, Grand Master; George P. Cleaves, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

One Hundred and Eleventh Annual, January, 1898.

The massive volume is illustrated with five full-page half-tones of the Masonic Home and a fine steel portrait of Grand Master George W. Fortmeyer.

The Grand Master refers to the severe sickness from which he suffered during the entire year, and which in-

terfered with his visitations, to his great disappointment.

He has words of tender eulogy for two distinguished brethren, Past Grand Master Robert M. Moore and Past Deputy Grand Master John Hopper, who closed their earthly labors during the year.

He reports having passed upon the physical qualifications of thirty-seven candidates, and decided that twenty were eligible and seventeen disqualified.

He says that, notwithstanding the business depression, there had been a marked increase in membership over previous years. Like other Grand Masters, he utters a note of warning against "record-breaking" tendencies and the disposition to add to our numbers.

He reports but four decisions, all of which were approved.

Under the heads of "Masonic Home," "Improper Publication" and "Improper Use of Ballot," he furnishes valuable information and advice.

We gather the following statistics from the Grand Secretary's report: Present membership, 16,541; net gain, 433; suspended for non-payment of dues, 332. Concerning the latter there seems to be a difference of opinion. The Secretary of Orient Lodge presented charges of improper actions by his Lodge, among other things complained of, stating that some of the oldest members of the Lodge, who, through misfortune, have gone behind with their dues, after stating their situation in answer to summons, and promising to pay up at a given time, have been unceremoniously suspended, while the dues of young men, far better able to fulfill their Masonic obligations, have been remitted for long periods.

Past Grand Master H. R. Cannon gave expression to the following:

Inasmuch as there is no formal matter to be acted upon by the Grand Lodge at this time, I would like to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the fact that under our rules and regulations the brethren of Lodges who have failed to pay their dues may be suspended. The only law upon this subject is that they may be suspended. In looking over the records of this Grand Lodge for the past ten years I find that 2,500 members of Lodges have been suspended for non-payment of dues. I think that a careful estimate of those who have been suspended would lead to the conclusion that nine-tenths of those who have left a Lodge

and not paid their honest debts were men who were well able to pay them, and I think that there ought to be a higher penalty for a person who has entered into such an obligation which he fails to fulfil. There ought to be a higher penalty for a man who deliberately defrauds the Lodge, and he defrauds the Lodge if he fails to pay his dues.

Something must be radically wrong with our New Jersey brethren when a Grand Master gives currency to a statement that nine-tenths of those suspended for non-payment of dues during the last ten years "were well able to pay." We can not give credence to any such declaration, and believe it to be entirely visionary. We leave it to the New Jersey brethren to deal with this aspersion upon the character of the material they have been in the habit of selecting for the Masonic edifice during the past decade. We would ask, what is to be gained by inflicting a higher penalty? The brethren are already suspended and deprived of Lodge privileges—a very considerable number, we have no doubt, unjustly.

And now, turning to a more agreeable topic, we find much space devoted to Masonic Home matters. The committee on same presented a full report, showing that by voluntary contributions the sum of \$27,578.12 had been already raised to pay for and furnish the Home, a mansion of twenty large rooms, together with the land in connection with the same, embracing some twenty-six acres. The plan adopted for its future support, as submitted by the committee, was as follows: Grand Lodge Permanent Charity Fund of over \$12,000 to be set aside as a permanent fund for its support. An assessment to be levied upon the Lodges of two dollars for each member, subscriptions heretofore recorded to be credited against such assessment. Each initiate hereafter to pay, in addition to his initiation fee, the sum of two dollars, to be added to the Permanent Fund. Annual Lodge dues to be increased thirty cents for each member. The regulations of the Home to be amended so as to provide for the admission of the wives of indigent Masons.

Two resolutions were introduced regarding Grand Lodge elections which provoked a lengthy discussion, and were referred to a special committee to report at the next annual. In spite of the evils complained of, we find,

upon reference to the election which subsequently took place, that every officer except the Junior Grand Warden was elected by a unanimous vote.

Brother George B. Edwards continues to furnish the Report on Correspondence, which is an able review of the Proceedings of sixty-one Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1897 among the number. The address of Grand Master Roe and the business of the session are briefly summarized. He has warm words of praise for Brother J. W. Johnson's oration, which he says he read to the brethren of his own Lodge to their edification.

Josiah W. Ewan, Mt. Holly, Grand Master; Thos. H. R. Redway, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

Twentieth Annual, October, 1897.

Grand Master Charles Bowmer confines his address almost entirely to his official acts, with the exception of a few matters which he deems worthy of special consideration.

He reports having visited six of the Lodges, his physical condition having prevented him from doing more in this respect. Four of the six District Deputies had sent him their reports, from which the condition of Lodges is shown to be fairly good. We regret to note in the Grand Secretary's statistical tables a net loss in membership for the year of forty.

The Grand Master devotes considerable space to the subject of "Ritual Revision," and he advocates a standard work for that Jurisdiction. He says the subject has occupied the attention of the Grand Lodge for several years and yet still remains an open one. He urges that a conclusion be arrived at during that session as to what is desired, in order that the Committee on Revision may at once enter upon and complete their labors at an early day.

He had not been called upon to render any decisions. The Wisconsin relief project was not accepted.

Concerning Ritual revision, the following resolution was adopted:

That the incoming Grand Master shall appoint three Master Masons as a permanent committee of the Grand Lodge, who shall be known as the Custodians of the Ritual of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico.

They shall hold their offices for terms of five years each, and the Grand Master shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur.

The Custodians shall make such revision as sense, grammar and tradition may require, and their decision as to the correct work for New Mexico shall be obligatory on the Craft, until otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge.

The Custodians of the Ritual shall formulate the necessary changes as speedily as possible, and shall not make any alterations after they have been formulated, other than may be absolutely demanded.

The Grand Lecturer shall be responsible to the Custodians for his teaching, and he may or may not be one of their number, as the Grand Master deem wise and proper.

The Grand Lecturer reports having visited four Lodges, and in so doing was obliged to travel 1,100 miles, which shows the great difficulty in making visitations on account of long distances between Lodges.

The Report on Correspondence is by Brother Max Frost as usual, though he was largely assisted by the other members of the committee, to whom certain Proceedings were assigned. Colorado for 1896 fell to the charge of Brother T. J. Curran, who devotes three and a half pages to a fraternal review of our transactions.

Grand Master Peirce's address is largely quoted from, generally with approval. He dissents from his decision concerning the status of a brother suspended for non-payment of dues, the Lodge refusing to reinstate after payment of the same. He gives his opinion as follows:

A brother suspended for non-payment of dues is simply suspended until he complies with the By-Laws of his Lodge, and the moment he does so he is again in good standing, without further action of the Lodge.

This was formerly the law in many Jurisdictions, and is no doubt more in accord with Masonic justice. A member in this Grand Jurisdiction can not be sus-

pended for non-payment of dues without trial. If suspended and he afterwards makes payment, he can only be restored to membership by a two-thirds vote.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence concerning the Wisconsin relief proposition is quoted entire.

John W. Poe, Roswell, Grand Master; Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

June, 1896, to June, 1897.

The volume before us contains the Proceedings of Special and Quarterly Communications held during the year. At the Quarterly, held September 9, 1896, the Deputy Grand Master, Thos. E. Spencer, presided.

The Grand Inspector of Workings reported visits by the Inspectors to 67 of the 191 Lodges. He gives a gratifying account of their condition; more care is being exercised in the selection of material, good work is being done; visitations have been of great benefit, but should not be confined to flourishing Lodges, but extended to the weaker ones, where they infuse new life and spirit. He calls attention to the irregular practice of spreading one ballot for two or more candidates.

The Board of General Purposes decided that a Lodge could not accept part payment from a brother excluded for non-payment of dues and grant him a clearance. They decided that an E. A. could vote under their law.

The Board of Benevolence expended \$1,465 for relief during the quarter.

At the Quarterly, held December 9, 1896, Deputy Grand Master Spencer presided.

The Board of General Purposes recommended a Charter for a new Lodge.

The appeal of a brother against a W. M., who caused a second ballot to be taken after he had declared the complaining brother elected Junior Warden, on the grounds that a brother had voted who was not properly qualified, was sustained.

The Inspectors had visited fifty-seven Lodges during the second quarter, and their reports are summarized by

the Grand Inspector, and the condition of Lodges commented upon. Lack of punctuality on the part of Masters, carelessness in the examination of candidates for advancement, and other matters, are censured, while such features as the delivery of lectures in several Lodges, when no degree work was available, are commended.

The Deputy Grand Master announced in touching language the colliery disaster at Stockton five days previous, and the Grand Lodge voted fifty guineas to the relief fund.

Expended for relief during the quarter, \$1,155.

At the Quarterly held March 10, 1897, the Deputy Grand Master announced in fitting terms of eulogy the death of Past Grand Master Col. C. F. Stokes, who was their first Deputy Grand Master and who was active in the formation of that Grand Lodge.

The Inspectors had visited seventy-four additional Lodges. From the report of the Grand Inspector we quote the following:

Amongst the defects observed, I would mention the habit, noticeable with Deacons, of whispering instead of speaking audibly at the times they are expected to instruct, and of prompting when instruction is not required of them. The habit of prompting is not confined to Deacons alone; many Past Masters, whose experience should otherwise teach them, frequently cause a nervous man to perpetrate the very fault from which they desire to deliver him, by too eagerly anticipating the worker's necessity.

The duty of vouching is often performed in a perfunctory manner; the bald statement by the Tiler that a visitor is vouched for, is accepted, whereas the voucher should be declared and verified by the Junior Warden before admission is authorized. The Junior Warden, not the Tiler, is the arbiter.

At the Quarterly, June 9, 1897, the Grand Lodge of the Argentine Republic was recognized.

The Grand Inspector reported that visits had been made during the year by the Inspectors to 160 out of 191 Lodges in the Jurisdiction; their services had been gratuitous, and in many cases involved much hardship in traversing rough roads.

Some \$4,845 was expended in relief during the year.

The Report on Correspondence was prepared by a committee of five, of which Brother John R. Trivett was chairman. Colorado for the years 1895 and 1896 receives fraternal consideration. Grand Master Bush's address and the business of the Thirty-fifth Annual are briefly epitomized. Grand Master Peirce's address is summarized, and two decisions are quoted, Nos. 6 and 12. The former, he says, would not be allowed in that Jurisdiction, while the latter is pronounced good Masonic law. The routine business of the session, reports of committees and all essential matters are noted.

Sir Joseph Palmer Abbott, Grand Master; Arthur H. Bray, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual, June, 1898.

The address of Grand Master William A. Sutherland is a clear and explicit record of his official acts and an able presentment of matters demanding the careful consideration of a Grand Body, representing nearly 100,000 members of the fraternity.

A few brief sentences of welcome and congratulation, and his speech is subdued to sadness as he recalls the faces and memory of departed Craftsmen, among whom was Past Grand Master James Gibson, who filled that office during 1868 and 1869, and who had since attended every session of the Grand Lodge until last year, when he was prostrated by sudden illness, which terminated fatally.

He reports having conducted eighteen ceremonies, eight of which were the laying of corner stones and ten dedications of Masonic Temples and halls.

A most remarkable circumstance is the fact that he has no decisions to report, and this in a Jurisdiction with 743 Lodges and 95,480 members. It shows an intelligent array of Lodge officers, who do their own reading and thinking, without imposing unnecessary tasks upon their Grand Master. Those in other Jurisdictions might well profit by such a conspicuous example and propound fewer "conundrums" to the head of the Craft.

He had suspended one W. M., pending investigation of charges which he ordered to be preferred.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges, both in Greater New York, one of Italian and the other of Scotch membership.

He thinks it should be made obligatory upon the Lodges to furnish the Grand Historian with data.

The Washington Memorial observance has favorable consideration, and he recommends the appointment of a special committee to correspond with the committee of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

During the year an interchange of Grand Representatives had been effected with the Grand Lodge of Sweden.

He devotes much space to Mexico, Cuba and Porto Rico and Peru. Under the head of the first he refers to the sympathetic expressions of sorrow of the Grand Dieta over the frightful explosion of the battleship Maine and the terrible loss of valuable lives, amongst whom were eighty-three Free Masons. Lodges of Sorrow were held by the Lodges under the Grand Dieta in memory of the latter.

Under Peru he refers to the edict of non-intercourse issued by him, adding in an addenda to his address information of the defeat of the Dam party and the restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars.

Full reports were presented by the Trustees of the various funds, showing their affairs to be in good hands.

The Home at Utica receives full attention in the reports of the Trustees and Superintendent Jesse B. Anthony. The average number of inmates was 206. Total current expenses, \$38,838.26, representing a per capita cost of \$188.53.

The Board of Relief of New York City expended but \$1,612.06 in charity, showing less demands than heretofore.

The shelter fund now amounts to \$11,391.90 and is growing steadily. In the near future the shelter building will doubtless be in successful operation.

The Grand Lodge telegraphed its hearty congratulations and best wishes to W. Brother Adna A. Treat, of Denver, Colo., its oldest living permanent member.

Upon the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, the Grand Orient of Belgium was recognized,

the committee having ascertained that it had exclusive jurisdiction over the first three degrees.

Past Grand Master Jesse B. Anthony submits his tenth annual Report on Correspondence, which is the chief attraction of the volume. Colorado for 1897 receives an extended review at his hands. Full extracts from Grand Master Roe's address are given, including the unique summons from Acacia Lodge and several of his decisions, the latter without comment. In referring to Brother Jasper W. Johnson's oration, he says he is not quite prepared to agree with his conclusion. He notes the visit to the venerable Brother Adna A. Treat, who is, he says, "one of the permanent members of the Grand Lodge of New York, by virtue of being a 'Past Master previous to 1849,' there being but one survivor beside himself."

Respecting the resolution introduced by the Grand Secretary, denying the prerogative of the Grand Master to make Masons at sight, Brother Anthony says: "It may not be conferred by the Constitution of this Grand Lodge (Colorado), but there can be no doubt of its having been exercised as an Ancient Regulation of the Craft."

From the organization of the Grand Lodge of Colorado in 1861 to the year 1875, a period of fourteen years, its Constitution contained the following as one of the Grand Master's prerogatives:

"It is his prerogative to make Masons at sight, and for this purpose he may summon to his assistance such brethren as he may deem necessary."

The Committee on Revision, in 1875, left out this clause, but it has never been abrogated by direct legislation. While it has not been exercised, it is still deemed to exist as an inherent right.

We regret that we are compelled to forego the reproduction of much of interest in Brother A.'s report, but we are compelled to condense as much as possible.

William A. Sutherland, Rochester, Grand Master;
Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

Semi-annual, October, 1897.

M. W. Brother William Barron, Grand Master, presiding.

The business of the session was mostly of a routine character. The Board of Benevolence distributed \$210 during the preceding half year. The report of the Board of General Purposes, with the exception of one clause which was amended, was adopted. The recognition of the Grand Lodge by the United Grand Lodge of England and by several additional American Grand Lodges was announced. A letter of thanks was received on behalf of the queen, in acknowledgment of the address sent to her majesty by the Australasian Grand Lodges.

William Barron, Grand Master; William Ronaldson, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

One Hundred and Eleventh Annual, January, 1898.

This communication was held at the Masonic hall, located on the Orphan Asylum grounds at Oxford, thus affording the members of the Grand Lodge full opportunity to see for themselves the workings of this noble charity fostered by the Masons of that Jurisdiction, the state, churches and benevolent individuals.

The address of Grand Master Walter E. Moore was naturally largely inspired by the occasion and his surroundings, and he eloquently discourses upon the pleasure afforded them of looking into the faces of the two hundred orphans over whom they, in common with others, had been enabled to throw the shield of protection and to care for and bring them up to be useful men and women.

He reports the Lodges in a satisfactory condition generally. Where any trouble has arisen, he thus points out the cause:

I wish to say that my observation has been, during the last year, that almost nine-tenths of the troubles in the various Lodges that have been reported to me, were caused either directly or in-

directly by intoxicating liquors, and I recommend to the Subordinate Lodges that when petitions for the degrees or membership are presented, that they use the ballot in such way as to save them from such troubles in the future. The ballot box is not guarded now with the same jealous care that it was in the days of our fathers. We are entirely too anxious to increase our numbers, and are not careful enough as to the kind of material that is taken from the quarries, and, as a legitimate result, great numbers of men are finding their way into our Lodges who have no sympathy with the objects, teachings and principles of Masonry; are being made Masons in name only; at once become drones in the Masonic hive, and by their conduct and utter disregard of the tenets of our Order bring reproach and disgrace upon the Craft.

Masonry never suffered for lack of numbers.

He recommends suspension of all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He makes fitting mention of the deaths of Past Grand Masters Alfred Martin and Eli F. Watson and Past Junior Grand Warden James A. Leach.

Three corner stones were laid, one in person and two by proxy.

He had granted nine dispensations for new Lodges.

Three decisions were submitted, all of which were approved.

We gather the following statistics from the Grand Secretary's report, based upon the returns of 259 of the 298 Lodges: Membership, 10,500, showing a gain of 130. Among losses were 50 suspended, 14 expelled, and 289 excluded.

Reports concerning the Orphan Asylum take up much of the Proceedings.

The following decision of the Grand Master in 1895, inadvertently approved by the Grand Lodge, without reference to the Jurisprudence Committee, was revoked and disapproved:

"That a Mason who dimitts from his own Lodge, moves into the jurisdiction of another Lodge, petitions for membership, is rejected, can not apply for membership in any other Lodge without the consent of the Lodge which rejected him, as long as he lives in that Jurisdiction."

The following resolutions, reported by the Jurisprudence Committee, were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the approval of the decision aforesaid is hereby revoked and the said decision disapproved and declared to be contrary to law.

Resolved, 2. That it is the opinion of this Grand Lodge, and it so declares, that it is the right and privilege of a Master Mason who has received a dimit from his Lodge to apply for membership to any regular Lodge, and if rejected, to apply to the same or any other Lodge as often as he may be rejected.

Mr. B. N. Duke, of Durham, whose previous contributions will be recalled, offered to contribute \$7,500 during 1898 to the Orphan Asylum, provided the Masons of North Carolina would raise a like amount, "to be used in building and furnishing cottages for the girls, similar to those now occupied by the boys, and for such other buildings and improvements as may be deemed necessary."

The Grand Lodge voted to accept the proposition, and appointed a committee of five to raise the necessary amount.

The Grand Orator, Brother J. H. Mills, being absent by reason of sickness, his address was read by another. It was original and drew largely on the imagination, being entitled: "The Compromise of King Solomon."

The Grand Lodge declined to accept the Wisconsin relief proposition.

Fraternal intercourse was suspended with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Brother John A. Collins again furnishes a most able Report on Correspondence, prefaced by an introductory giving his observations of Masonic sentiment on questions now engaging the attention of the Craft. Colorado for 1896 has a brief review, in which reference is made to M. W. Brother Bromwell's eloquent address on behalf of Grand Representatives, Grand Master Peirce's address and decisions, Grand Orator Milsom's oration and the reports of committees.

Walter E. Moore, Webster, Grand Master; John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Thirty-second Annual, June, 1897.

The address of Grand Master John W. Ruhland is an able presentment of the affairs of that Jurisdiction and a record of his official acts.

He has the mournful intelligence to communicate of the death of their Grand Tiler, John J. McKeil, who had filled that office since 1886.

The condition of the Craft is reported to be most satisfactory, reports of advancement having been received from every section of the province. He was compelled to suspend from office a W. M. who continually absented himself from the Lodge and neglected his duties.

He laid two corner stones, and in the matter of visitations stands at the head, being the first Grand Master who had visited every Lodge in that Jurisdiction.

In his visits he says he could not help noticing in almost all the Lodges the large amount of back dues which were owing. We quote his remarks:

I hope the day is not far distant when this innovation of dues will be done away with altogether. The Craft would be more united and harmonious, and there would be no suspension for non-payment, this terrible insect which is eating our very existence.

But this question will be asked: If we do away with Lodge dues, how are we to meet our expenses? How? Why raise your fees. Masonry is altogether too cheap. Retailing it out, as is too frequently done, is the whole cause of the trouble. Cheap Masonry brings cheap material, and hence shoddy goods. Decay must follow. Let us hear from our able distinguished writers a better remedy if they have one.

There is another important matter in connection with this vexed question, the indiscriminate suspension of members for back dues. Take a Lodge of thirty or forty members, and largely scattered from the Lodge room, perhaps the average attendance is not more than ten or twelve, suspending at once twelve members. Now is it possible to find twelve brethren in a small Lodge, all of whom should be indiscriminately dealt with? I simply can't believe it. May there not be some of these good and worthy brethren, but unfortunately in circumstances over which they have no control, and unable to comply

with their obligations? Should these brethren be harshly dealt with? I say most emphatically, no. It is in my opinion unmasonic and contrary to the spirit of Masonry.

He refers to the proposed Masonic Home for the maritime provinces and believes it an opportune time to erect such a monument of mercy, to be called the Diamond Jubilee Masonic Home, in honor of the queen. In this connection he recommends the preparation of an address, suitably engrossed, to be forwarded to her majesty.

From the Grand Secretary's report we glean the following: Present membership, 3,409, a net gain of 58. He says:

Taking a calm and impartial view of our Order in this Jurisdiction, I am free to admit that it is only just holding its own, weak Lodges disappearing and others amalgamating with stronger and more progressive Lodges than their own.

The old and tried substantial Lodges are prosperous and will continue to prosper.

Other organizations promising many individual benefits are springing up in every town and village in the province, and thus to a considerable extent may be attributed the slow progress Free Masonry has been making of late.

Fraternal relations were established with the Grand Lodge of Hungary.

The Masonic Home for the maritime provinces was endorsed and the joint resolutions adopted.

The Report on Correspondence is of a composite nature, being the joint production of Brothers T. B. Flint, C. E. Willets, W. E. Thompson, T. Mowbray and William Ross. Colorado for 1896 receives a fraternal review at the hands of Brother Thomas B. Flint, who at this session was elected Grand Master. He praises M. W. Brother Bromwell's address on behalf of Grand Representatives, makes liberal extracts from Grand Master Peirce's address which he says is "masterly." He quotes the conclusion of Brother J. W. Milsom's oration, which he says is "short, practical and thoroughly Masonic." The general business of the session and reports of committees are summarized.

Thomas B. Flint, Yarmouth, Grand Master; William Ross, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

Eighty-eighth Annual, October, 1897.

The Grand Master, Barton Smith, was unavoidably detained from attending that communication of the Grand Lodge, and the Deputy Grand Master, Nelson Williams, presided. He read the Grand Master's address, which was an able presentment of the aspect of Masonic matters in that large Jurisdiction, in addition to the record of his official acts. After words of gratitude for divine favor and protection, he pauses to pay a tribute to the memory of Past Junior Grand Warden Charles F. Baldwin.

He appointed a proxy to visit a Lodge and publicly reprimand the W. M. and Secretary for having refused to recognize an objection to the advancement of a candidate. Subsequently the objection was withdrawn and the brother was raised, harmony and good feeling being restored. The officers of the Lodge erred in misconstruing the decision of a former Grand Master and not through wilful disregard of the law.

He devotes some space to the subject of the Eastern Star and offers a recommendation concerning the Order's occupancy of Masonic halls under certain restrictions and conditions.

He submits certain decisions, which were approved.

Several cases of conflict of Jurisdiction occurred between that Grand Lodge and those of West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Kentucky, growing out of the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction. Upon this question he discourses as follows:

Before the amendment of section 18 of our Code, we recognized and maintained perpetual jurisdiction, and therefore recognized the perpetual jurisdiction of others without question. We have reduced our own claim to jurisdiction, and the jurisdiction required within our own state to three years; but have we, by that act, in any way affected the jurisdiction of other Grand Lodges? I think not. It seems to me that, in the interests of harmony, the protection of fraternal fellowship, and especially under that comity which should exist between Masonic Grand Lodges throughout the world, we should respect the jurisdiction of Lodges within other Grand Jurisdictions in accordance with

their laws. And, on the other hand, we ought as rigidly to maintain and stringently enforce our claims to jurisdiction in accordance with our laws.

If a man within three years from the time he is rejected by an Ohio Lodge, petitions a Lodge in another Jurisdiction, and is elected and receives the degrees, he should be proclaimed a clandestine Mason and treated accordingly.

Let us, then, avail ourselves of the wisdom and experience of our learned Committee on Jurisprudence, and, after having carefully examined the question, take such stand as we are willing to maintain in the face of the Masonic world.

Three corner stones were laid by proxy. Cerneau legislation, degree peddlers and Rituals each receive attention, while to the Masonic Home is devoted liberal space in considering ways and means either for its voluntary or enforced support.

In his conclusion he reports the net gain 874, and total membership 41,713.

The Deputy Grand Master, Nelson Williams, also presents a report of his official acts. He pays eloquent tributes to the memories of Brothers Rev. Thomas J. Mellish, Harvey Vinal and Jacob Randall, Grand Tiler.

He reports having visited thirty-three Lodges and having officiated on a number of ceremonial occasions.

From the Grand Secretary's report the greatest loss in membership was from suspensions for non-payment of dues, namely 1,486. For ten years the net gain in membership has been 8,855, an average of over 885 per year. The number of active Lodges is 498.

The Committee on Jurisprudence devotes much space to a full consideration of the subjects of jurisdiction after rejection and objection to advancement. Having abandoned the claim to perpetual jurisdiction and amended their Code, limiting jurisdiction to three years, they conclude that they should be governed by their own law, regardless of the laws of other Grand Lodges. Concerning objection to advancement they clearly define the law as follows:

Before the Lodge can try the sufficiency of the objecting brother's reasons, they must have been stated in open Lodge by himself, or in writing signed by him. And the Lodge should not try the sufficiency of his reasons except in the presence of

the objecting brother, or after he has had due notice and opportunity to be present and to be heard in defense of his claim.

The Grand Lodge adopted the amendment to the Code permitting use of Lodge rooms to Eastern Star Chapters, with the consent of Masonic bodies occupying the same.

The Grand Lodge donated \$4,000 to the Ohio Masonic Home. A full report of this institution is published in the appendix, showing present number of inmates fifty-six. The total receipts from Masonic bodies and all other sources to October 1, 1897, are \$180,376; disbursements, \$176,520.55, leaving balance on hand of \$3,855.45.

The chief attraction of the volume is the Report on Correspondence by Past Grand Master W. M. Cunningham, covering 336 pages and containing valuable comment and Masonic information of great value to the Craft. Seven and a half pages are devoted to a review of Colorado for 1896. Grand Master Peirce's address is pronounced "a thorough business paper," and extracts are given of the matters referred to therein of general interest. Extracts are given from Brother Milsom's oration, "which although very brief, was full of merit." The reports of the various committees receive due attention, some four and a half pages being allotted to our own. There are many questions discussed by Brother C. which we would gladly reproduce did space permit. We can not refrain from quoting the following concerning the Past Master's Degree, which we find under Missouri:

We do not concur in the views of Brother Vincil, that the Past Master's Degree is the property of Capitular Masonry, and that it should therefore be abandoned by the Grand Lodge. Whilst it is true that as an essential qualification for the reception of the Royal Arch Degree, when that grade was conferred under Lodge authority, it was necessary that the candidate therefor should be an installed (or Past) Master, or have a dispensation from the Grand Master "to pass the chair," and that Thomas Smith Webb incorporated its ceremonials as a Capitular Degree in the American system, yet that does not annul the right of Craft Masonry to its possession. The ceremonials of installed or Past Master *belong* to Craft Masonry, and their antiquity is now well established, and, although its ceremonies have been by

modern innovators belittled by grotesque or mirthful interpolations, that is not the fault of the grade, but it is the result of those innovations termed "progressive Masonry," among which, as elsewhere noted herein, may be enumerated the emasculation of the Entered Apprentice Degree by its deprivation, without its consent, of the right of membership, the right of saying who shall be made a Mason, and the right of participation in the business affairs of Free Masonry, "forced membership," "expulsion from Free Masonry" for non-payment of dues, extreme penalties for non-affiliation, neglect of the social features of the institution, etc. Restore the grade of installed or Past Master to its original instructive and interesting ceremonials, with an appropriate Ritual therefor, and much more will be gained than "to cast it aside among the rubbish."

We are in full accord with the opinions above expressed.

Brother Nelson Williams, Hamilton, Grand Master;
J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

Sixth Annual, February, 1898.

The address of Grand Master A. W. Fisher is confined closely to a review of his official acts. He visited twelve of the Lodges and regrets being unable to visit the others.

One dispensation was issued for a new Lodge.

He submits nine decisions, one of which was modified and one disapproved.

Six schools of instruction were held at different places during the year.

The condition of the Lodges is reported to be good, with one exception, and that was found to be defunct and he took possession of its effects.

The circular letter of the Grand Master of New York suspending Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru was read, and his action endorsed by a rising vote.

A brief address was delivered by Brother D. D. Leach, Grand Orator.

A resolution was adopted that a Report on Correspondence should be prepared by the committee and appear in the Proceedings for 1899.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That at each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, the newly elected Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, shall agree upon a division of the territorial Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge into four districts, in such a manner as will be most convenient for such officers to visit the Subordinate Lodges of their respective districts.

Each Grand Officer aforesaid is hereby required to visit each Lodge in his district once during his term of office and file with the Grand Secretary, on or before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, a written report of the visits made, together with an itemized statement of the expenses incurred by each visit. Said expenses to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

Several amendments to the By-Laws were offered concerning suspension for non-payment of dues, which caused a lively discussion, and finally article XVIII. was amended by the adoption of a resolution as a substitute for all pending motions. We have only room for the following extracts from amended article:

Non-Payment of Dues—Should any member allow his dues to remain unpaid at the time of an election, he shall not have the right to vote or be elected to any office.

All members being one year in arrears for dues shall be liable to suspension. Upon being given thirty days' personal notice, or sixty days' notice by registered mail to his last known postoffice, to appear and pay such delinquent dues, or show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of said dues, and if from neglect or refusal they are unpaid at the time set in said notice for appearance, the Master shall put the question: "Shall the brother be suspended for non-payment of dues?" A majority vote shall prevail. And if the Lodge so votes, the Master shall order the name of the brother stricken from the roll of members, which order shall be equivalent to indefinite suspension from all Masonic rights and privileges.

Restoration—Any member so suspended shall be and is hereby fully reinstated to his former rights and privileges immediately upon payment to the Secretary of the Lodge of all dues

which he owed at the date of his suspension. If any member is actually unable to pay his dues, the Lodge should grant him further time, or release him therefrom.

Enoch M. Bamford, Guthrie, Grand Master; James S. Hunt, Stillwater, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

Forty-eighth Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master W. H. Hobson congratulates the brethren that "The bountiful harvest, enhanced values and general activity in the commercial world within the past year, have transformed idleness to industry beyond the realization of our most sanguine hopes." That is a picture with a glow of rich color. Oregon must be riding on the crest of the wave of prosperity.

He extends sympathy to our brethren in Cuba struggling for liberty and sincerely hopes for their ultimate success.

He has the sad announcement to make of the death of Past Junior Grand Warden and Past Grand Treasurer Samuel Hughes.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He reports six decisions, one of which was modified.

He had assured the Virginia committee that Oregon would be represented at the Washington memorial observance.

He reports the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru, stating that it has thereby severed its relations with all other Grand Jurisdictions in the Masonic world.

He arrested the Charter of a Lodge, while those of two others were surrendered.

He recommends that the plans for the celebration of their semi-centennial, as reported by committee on same at the last annual, be carried into effect.

The Grand Lecturer's report is embodied in the address. He found most of the Lodges in a prosperous condition and using the adopted work; nearly all had been visited and instructed.

The Maine resolution concerning jurisdiction after rejection was embodied in an amendment to the Constitu-

tion and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee, who recommended its adoption. Under the rules it lies over until the next annual.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That all resolutions offered during this session of the Grand Lodge be referred to the appropriate committee, if one exists, and if not, then to a special committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master. There shall be no discussion of the subject matter of such resolution prior to the report of such committee.

Brother W. T. Williamson, Grand Orator, delivered a scholarly address on Free Masonry, symbolically and philosophically considered.

The Grand Lodge refused to adopt the Wisconsin plan of relief for the following reasons:

1. That every Mason is under equal obligations to relieve the distress of a worthy brother according to his necessity and his own ability to contribute.

2. That the right of a distressed worthy brother to claim relief grows out of the fact of his being a Mason and not out of the fact of his having contributed to the funds of any particular Lodge.

3. That the association of Masons for the purpose of forming and maintaining Lodges in no manner relieves them from their individual charitable obligations, and that when they act as a Lodge their duty, and, therefore, that of the Lodge, is precisely the same as that of an individual Mason. That Masonic relief is never purchased or sold; therefore never creates a debt.

We extract the following from the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, which was adopted:

First—That the use of the term "honorary member" is prohibited in this Grand Jurisdiction, and all Lodges having honorary members on their rolls are directed to drop them from that roll at once.

Second—That the Grand Secretary is directed to eliminate from the return blanks sent to Subordinate Lodges the column headed "honorary members."

Past Grand Master Robert Clow again presents an interesting and valuable Report on Correspondence, in

which Colorado for 1897 receives a liberal share of his space. Extracts are made from Grand Master Roe's address, and the routine business is epitomized, while reports of committees have due attention, nearly two pages being devoted to extracts from our own.

John B. Cleland, Portland, Grand Master; Jas. F. Robinson, Eugene, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Quarterlies and Annual, December, 1897.

At the quarterly, September 1, 1897, the Grand Lodge unanimously adopted resolutions extending congratulations to the Grand Lodge of England upon the celebration of the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria; also, a set of resolutions to his Majesty, Brother King Oscar II., congratulating him upon the twenty-fifth anniversary, not only of his ascension to the throne of Sweden and Norway, but also of his installation as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Sweden.

Past Grand Master Michael Arnold gave an interesting account of his visit to the Grand Lodge of England.

At the quarterly, December 1, 1897, the annual reports were presented, showing the condition of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, bequests, etc. The former has investments of \$75,000; disbursements, \$3,900. The Girard bequest has reached \$63,950; charity disbursements, \$2,600. Thomas R. Patton memorial, \$56,000, of which \$1,500 was available and disbursed for charity.

The bonded indebtedness on the Masonic Temple was reduced \$76,550 during the year, leaving the balance due \$335,250. At the rate of decrease the past year, it will not be long before the Temple will be free from debt, and a monster jubilee be in order.

The annual election of officers took place at this communication.

The annual was held December 27. Grand Master William J. Kelly congratulates the brethren upon the increase in membership despite the great depression in business during 1897. This increase is stated at 1,469, and the total membership 52,500.

One dispensation was granted for a new Lodge.

He reports ten Grand Visitations accompanied by Grand Officers, and four of a less pretentious nature.

Seven corner stones were laid, three in person and four by proxy.

Some twenty-eight decisions are reported. In that Grand Jurisdiction they are not passed upon by the Committee on Jurisprudence, but the Grand Master's declaration is law.

We quote the following:

Decided that the Junior Warden can be lawfully elected to the station of Senior Warden to fill a vacancy.

That a man made a Mason while abroad on a visit could not be recognized as a Mason in this Jurisdiction.

That I would not give an opinion upon a question of physical disqualification without making a personal examination.

That in this Jurisdiction an Entered Apprentice Mason is a member of a Lodge.

That we claim perpetual jurisdiction over all our rejected petitioners, our practice being, when other Jurisdictions accept our rejected petitioners and confer the degrees upon them, to issue an edict forbidding Masonic intercourse with such.

The Report on Correspondence was the work of Brothers S. K. McCay, W. H. Whitty, B. W. James and C. J. McClary. Past Grand Master Michael Arnold, the chairman, was unable to digest more than one of the reports, but the matter prepared by the others all passed under his scrutinizing eye. Colorado for 1896 receives a fraternal review of some four pages at the hands of Brother C. J. McClary. Grand Master Peirce's address has extended notice and liberal extracts are made therefrom. He has no comment to make on his decisions except No. 12, regarding which he says:

When there is no work or business incident to the Fellow Craft degree, we can not see the necessity of opening a Lodge on that degree only to close it.

Brother Milsom's oration is pronounced "a most beautiful address."

Our remarks concerning the isolated position of Pennsylvania as regards many Masonic questions and ceremonials calls forth the following:

Pennsylvania thinks she is right, hopes she is right, and will endeavor to be right.

Wm. J. Kelley, Philadelphia, Grand Master; Wm. A. Sinn, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Twenty-third Annual, June, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Leonard Morris is a business-like account of his stewardship. He reports peace and prosperity and pleasant relations with other Grand Bodies. He regrets that this nation is in the throes of war with Spain, and trusts the conflict may soon end and humanity be blessed by the result.

He says, though they are the smallest Grand Body in the world, yet they receive many kindly notices from the larger Jurisdictions.

He refers to the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru and the withdrawal of fraternal intercourse by many Grand Lodges, saying that they had never established intercourse with that Grand Lodge.

He offers some excellent advice concerning their revised Constitution and By-Laws, which were to come before the Grand Lodge for adoption, amendment or rejection, hopes they will act advisedly, so that there will not be continual tampering with the Constitution and frequent changes in the By-Laws.

He granted one dispensation for a new Lodge.

He says, while their membership has not materially increased, they are holding their own. He says that in view of the fact that there are other societies vigorously canvassing for members, it is a surprise that Masonry is doing so well. He has words of caution regarding the use of the ballot, and that great care should be exercised in selecting proper material.

The statistics show twelve chartered Lodges and one U. D., with a total membership of 525, a gain of four.

Leonard Morris, Summerside, Grand Master; Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

Twenty-eighth Annual, January, 1898.

The address of Grand Master E. T. D. Chambers is a full and explicit record of his official acts and of matters demanding the consideration of the Grand Lodge.

He refers to the material prosperity which has attended them, not only in bountiful harvests, but in "the newly discovered and practically inexhaustible deposits of precious metal."

The condition of the Craft shows satisfactory growth and, notwithstanding the unusual number of suspensions, the net increase has been ninety-three. Much of the recent growth, especially in Montreal, he attributes to the influence of the splendid Temple erected there, and in which the sessions of the Grand Lodge were held.

Loyal reference is made to the queen's diamond jubilee and celebrations in connection therewith.

He had granted one dispensation for a new Lodge.

He decided that Chapters of the Eastern Star are entirely unknown to our Constitution, and that their formation is not a matter for discussion or settlement at meetings of Masonic Lodges, which are held only for purposes of Masonic work, as defined for us by the Constitution and by immemorial usage.

He granted a dispensation for the conferring of three degrees in one night upon a candidate who was about to depart for China at very short notice, but who had long contemplated petitioning for the degrees of Free Masonry. He enforces the idea that this action is not to be taken as establishing a precedent, as he is opposed to railroading candidates through the degrees.

He also decided that under his interpretation of their law, no dispensation or fee was required for a Lodge to attend divine service wearing Masonic regalia.

He is fearless and outspoken on the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru in removing the Bible from its altar, and he recommends an immediate suspension of Masonic intercourse.

He issued an edict against the pretended French Lodge in Montreal under warrant from the Grand Orient of France.

He refers to the severe illness last summer of Past

Grand Masters J. H. Graham and John H. Isaacson, the latter present Grand Secretary, and expresses heartfelt joy and thanksgiving for their recovery.

The reports of the District Deputies are complete and furnish valuable information as to the condition of the Lodges in their respective districts.

The Grand Chaplain, R. W. Brother Rev. Thomas Everett, delivered an eloquent discourse upon Masonry, its belief in God and a future life.

We quote the following:

In answer to a member of Grand Lodge, the M. W. Grand Master gave the following ruling:

"All Master Masons are equal in this Grand Lodge and in the various Subordinate Lodges of this Jurisdiction, no matter under what Rite, recognized by this Grand Lodge, they may have received the degrees of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry."

We commend this to the consideration of Brother Robbins, of Illinois, who has always opposed any move on the part of the Grand Lodge of Illinois in the same direction. Brother Robbins has always maintained that having derived our Masonry from the Mother Grand Lodge of England, we are estopped from recognizing any Masonry not clearly shown to be derived from that parent source. If the Grand Lodge of England recognizes other Rites and admits their members to fellowship, it naturally follows that the Grand Lodges of this country can commit no very serious error by following in her wake, which is in line with the view generally held, of the universality of Masonry.

The finances of the Grand Lodge are in excellent condition, as shown by the following figures:

General Fund.....	\$ 1,749.81
Masonic Home Trust Fund.....	700.00
Benevolent Fund.....	10,953.36
	\$13,403.17

An increase of \$399.79 for the year.

There was expended from the Benevolent Fund during the year \$1,275.25.

We gather the following from the returns of Lodges:

Number of chartered Lodges, 55; U. D., 1; total membership, 3,590; suspended for non-payment of dues, 112.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Brother Will H. Whyte, the successor of Brother E. T. D. Chambers, who was elected Grand Master at the last session. The preface to his report contains a brief survey of important questions now engaging the attention of the Craft. He most ably reviews the Proceedings of fifty-nine Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1897 among the number.

The essential features of the address of Grand Master Roe are presented, and decisions and dispensations referred to, but without critical comment.

He thinks Brother Johnson, in concluding his address, indulged in a little spread-eagleism in speaking of "*this, the only land of the free and home of the brave.*" (Italics his.)

Our report has due attention, and he refers to our comments about "reputable circumstances" and "solid men financially" in criticising a committee report of that Jurisdiction. He explains the idea the writer of the report intended to convey, which was: "That those who could not well afford the cost of joining the Fraternity and the yearly dues without detriment to their families, should not be allowed to do so."

E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec City, Grand Master; J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

One Hundred and Seventh Annual, May, 1897.

Grand Master William H. Crawley reports a year of great prosperity for the Craft of that Jurisdiction, notwithstanding the country had been passing through a period of business stagnation.

He makes mournful announcement of the death of Past Deputy Grand Master George M. Carpenter, also of thirteen Past Masters, members of the Grand Lodge, accompanying each with Masonic data.

His official visits numbered sixteen. He laid the corner stone of the new state house at Providence, which

was an occasion of great public importance; also that of the new Masonic Temple at Pawtucket.

He reports three decisions. The committee to whom they were referred requested further time for their consideration.

The reports of the five District Deputy Grand Masters follow the address and thus supplement that document with full particulars of the condition of the Lodges.

From the Grand Secretary's report we learn that the net gain for the year was 120, against 219 last year. The thirty-seven active Lodges have a total of 5,018. The largest Lodge has 523, the smallest 33, the average membership being 135.67.

The Library Committee report having received in answer to their request for donations to the library, to replace losses by the fire, some 3,309 pamphlets and books.

The business was of a routine character. The Wisconsin relief proposition was postponed for a year. Jurisdiction over rejected candidates was limited to five years instead of seven, to accord with the practice of other New England Grand Lodges.

Cyrus M. Van Slyck, Providence, Grand Master; Edwin Baker, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

One Hundred and Thirty-first Annual, December, 1897.

Grand Master Jacob T. Barron reports the condition of the Craft fairly good. He says:

Some of the drawbacks to general prosperity will soon be removed by the beneficial effects of a uniform secret work, the new Code of our Masonic law, and the personal attention that is being paid to Subordinate Lodges by the District Deputy Grand Masters. There are, however, stumbling blocks that the members of some individual Lodges must remove. For instance, there are some Lodges in prosperous towns which are doing practically nothing, because of a prevailing opinion that a few members who have been regarded bright, or honored with high office in the past, are alone qualified to officer the Lodge. In some of these

cases a change of officers and an infusion of some new blood would work astonishingly satisfactory results. On the other hand, some Lodges make the mistake of changing officers too rapidly—not retaining a really good officer long enough. There can be no fixed rule as to how often one should be reelected, but we should strive to be independent of any one or two officers, and thus feel obliged to continue to reelect them; and, on the contrary, we should impress our members with the idea that there should be a higher ambition than simply to "pass the chair"—that the aim should be to discharge our duties creditably and for the good of the Order. Avoid extremes in this matter.

Again, I fear that, in some instances, Masonry is used to further the personal aims and ends of some of the individual members of a Lodge, in business or society, rather than to elevate the human race and teach man his whole duty to his God, to his neighbor and to himself. Such selfishness and wrongful desire for the personal use and advantages of Masonry destroy much of its good effect.

I call your attention to these unfortunate conditions, in some Lodges, in the hope that each brother will consider the matter calmly and dispassionately, and then, if there are any such stumbling blocks that prevent his Lodge from prospering, as so many others are now doing, let him immediately set about removing the difficulty. Let each Lodge nobly do its part, and in so doing it will relieve the burden it has been casting upon others. I have spoken plainly, without fear or favor, in giving you my opinion of the general condition of the Craft during the past year. I am glad, however, to add that I am convinced that the outlook is more encouraging than I have seen it since first becoming a member of this Grand Lodge.

Seven corner stones were laid, four in person and three by proxy; four of the proposed structures being court houses, two being public school buildings and one church. He very properly declined to lay the corner stone of a large cotton mill.

Among special dispensations granted were several to confer degrees out of time, one to confer two degrees upon a candidate the same evening, and three to confer more than five degrees at one communication. He also reports having made a Fellow Craft a Master Mason at sight.

He reports three decisions, which were approved. In this connection he says:

In all cases submitted relating to physical qualifications, I have felt constrained, by my oath of office, to decide against the candidate, under the extreme and sweeping language of article III. of the Constitution.

He refers to the noble work done by the Masonic Board of Relief and cites the cases of Brother Frederick Bancroft the magician, discovered to be a Mason after his death, and Brother H. S. Baines, whose body was found in the surf on Sullivan's island, with nothing to identify it except Masonic emblems. It was buried with Masonic honors on November 7 and disinterred on November 20 and sent to Buffalo, N. Y., for burial there. By great effort his identity was discovered, although he had been traveling under an assumed name.

He had appointed a committee to coöperate with like committees from other Grand Lodges in the matter of the Washington memorial observance.

Among other recommendations we quote the following:

I recommend that article III. of the Constitution be so amended as not to require physical perfection in all cases, but to permit the Grand Master to grant his dispensation to receive such candidates as in his judgment can literally comply with all the requirements of the Ritual.

There seems to have been an erroneous impression prevailing in this state, that physical perfection is one of the landmarks of the Fraternity. Such is not the case. This "perfect youth fad" is not in touch with the spirit of Masonry, as generally interpreted and understood throughout the world, and I am convinced that the sooner we pay less attention to physical qualifications and attach more importance to intellectual and moral qualifications, the better it will be for the prosperity of the Craft and the good of mankind. Again, an opportunity will thus be given for members of E. A.'s and F. C.'s who have been stopped for slight defects, to receive more light in Masonry, and the opportunity given us to do simple justice to them.

This question occasioned much discussion in the Grand Lodge and finally resulted in a proposed amendment to the Constitution. The Committee on Jurisprudence refused to concur in his recommendation and recommended that the law remain as it is, which report

was adopted. Then the Committee on Grand Master's Address, who seem to have been side-tracked until near the close of the session, embodied the following in their report:

We concur in all the recommendations, but especially wish to emphasize our approval of the first recommendation in regard to physical qualifications. It is our opinion that all that is required of the candidate is that he be able to conform strictly to all the requirements of the ceremonies of our initiations.

This precipitated an animated discussion and finally the report was adopted with the clause as above, it being of no other effect than as an expression of opinion. The following amendment to the Constitution was proposed, to be acted upon at the next annual:

Strike out article III., and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Article III. Every candidate for initiation in this Jurisdiction must be able to conform strictly to all the requirements of the ceremonies of our initiation."

The following was embodied in the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address, which was adopted:

We approve the exercise of the Grand Master's prerogative in having made a Mason at sight. Being a landmark of Masonry, we hold that no body of Masons can deprive him of the high power.

The recognition of the Grand Dieta of Mexico was deferred until it has established itself upon a sure foundation.

The request from the Grand Orient of Lusitano Unido for an exchange of Grand Representatives was denied, the committee being unable to obtain any information regarding it.

No Report on Correspondence.

Jacob T. Barron, Columbia, Grand Master; Charles Inglesby, Charleston, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Twenty-fourth Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master Albert W. Coe begins his address with a reference to grim-visaged war, at that time being waged against Spain in the cause of humanity. After words of welcome and congratulation, he pauses to pay a brief but beautiful tribute to the memory of R. W. Brother Franklin J. De Witt, their first Deputy Grand Master, and whose failing health prevented his acceptance of the Grand Mastership, to which he was unanimously elected after having served his term of Deputy Grand Master.

He granted but one dispensation for a new Lodge.

He granted dispensations to confer degrees out of time to brethren who had enlisted and were soon to leave for the front.

He declined to grant a dispensation to a traveling Lodge in the South Dakota infantry for this reason:

While I was ready to grant to our brave soldiers everything that would in any way add to their comfort or pleasure during life in camp, yet I did not think it one of the prerogatives of the Grand Master to comply with the request. I now refer the matter to Grand Lodge to act as may seem to you for the best interests of Masonry.

He has one decision to report, which was approved.

He recommends a revision of their Code.

Two charters were surrendered, one of the Lodges consolidating with another.

He recommends the severing of Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He advocates the selection of a permanent home for the Grand Lodge, and believes Sioux Falls to be the most desirable location.

The Grand Lecturer reports having held sixteen schools of instruction in the Lodges, and reports the work of a satisfactory character. From what he says, the use of keys or ciphers of various kinds is quite general, and he is the open advocate of an adopted work by that Grand Lodge in the same form, to be kept in proper custody.

During the session Brother Andrew E. Lee, governor of the state, was introduced and received with the Grand Honors. The address of welcome was made by Past Grand Master William Blatt, to which the governor fittingly responded, and referred to the fact that he had been a Mason since he was twenty-two years old.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported against granting dispensations to military traveling Lodges. They also report the following:

Your committee does not favor any action by this Grand Lodge by granting to an adjoining Grand Lodge jurisdiction over material residing in this state and nearer a Lodge in an adjoining state than one of ours. While territorial jurisdiction over profanes is not an inherent right in Masonry, yet we deem it one which your committee believes strictly belongs to particular Lodges, and should not be infringed upon by the Grand Lodge. A waiver by the Lodge having jurisdiction seems to your committee the sole equitable remedy, and should be, if the case justifies, promptly applied by the Lodge having jurisdiction. The case reported by the M. W. Grand Master relinquishing jurisdiction to a Minnesota Lodge over a F. C. of a defunct Lodge of this Jurisdiction is, of course, not at all in conflict with the foregoing. In the latter case jurisdiction was vested directly in the Grand Lodge by the surrender of the Charter of the Lodge initiating.

This conclusion seems to us to be eminently sound, although contrary to rulings in several other Grand Lodges.

They recommend the prohibition of all fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

They also report against the permanent location of the Grand Lodge, not deeming it advisable at the present time. The report in its entirety was concurred in.

The Grand Lodge, by a rising vote, passed resolutions of endorsement of the patriotism and self-sacrifice of Past Grand Master J. Q. A. Braden, who had enlisted as a private soldier in the service of his country and was then in camp at San Francisco.

The Report on Correspondence, by Past Grand Master William Blatt, ranks among the best, although he says it was written "under stress of great national excitement, war having been declared before barely a page

was written." Then he parted with his only son, who, though about to graduate from college, answered his country's call and entered the service. .

His able commentary upon the Proceedings of sixty Grand Bodies includes Colorado for 1897, in which Grand Master Roe's official acts are detailed at considerable length, especially in the cases of the arrest of the Charters of Acacia and Del Norte Lodges. His administration is pronounced "a strong and good one."

He has warm words of praise for Brother Jasper W. Johnson's oration.

The business of the session is carefully outlined and its general features preserved.

Louis G. Levoy, Webster; Grand Master; Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA.

Sixth Annual, January, 1897.

M. W. Brother C. E. Davies, Grand Master presiding.

The annual report of the Board of General Purposes shows that a fund of benevolence is about to be established upon a practical working basis. This is a distinctive feature in all English Lodges, and a vast amount of charity is dispensed in this manner, the Grand Lodge of England herself setting a bright and shining example for the colonial Grand Bodies to follow.

A thorough revision of the Constitution is to be undertaken, while the matter of a satisfactory Ritual is still in abeyance. Its adoption will aid the Inspectors of Lodges, who report such diversity as to make life a burden when a babel of discussion is in progress over disputed points.

The Grand Master was reëlected and the installation was followed by an address which gives a gratifying exhibit of the progress of Masonry in that distant colony.

C. E. Davies, Grand Master; John Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

Eighty-fourth Annual, January, 1898.

Grand Master A. N. Sloan says that his address must be incomplete as to details, owing to the loss of his office and contents by fire, which he thus narrates:

The report of my year's work as your Grand Master is incomplete and must ever remain so, from the fact that on April 3, 1897, my office and its entire contents were destroyed by fire. Not a vestige was saved. All records and papers pertaining to the office of Grand Master, as well as the jewel and apron, were lost. Also my personal records of a lifetime, together with a large number of Masonic and other valuable books. To me it was not only a heavy loss, but a very great inconvenience. I attempted to duplicate correspondence pertaining to the Grand Master's office, but with little success. My report must, therefore, be incomplete.

He granted four dispensations for new Lodges and declined to grant another for the all-sufficient reason that some of the petitioners were engaged in the liquor business, the person selected for W. M. being tarred with the same stick, which in this instance was the toddy stick!

He submits a list of twenty-one decisions, which were approved with one exception.

He recommends the severing of all Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, if the information received should be verified.

He says the action of the Grand Lodge last year in accepting the tender of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home has met the approval of an overwhelming majority of the Masons of the Jurisdiction, and its future maintenance is a recognized necessity.

He recommends the printing of the names of the members of the Lodges in the Proceedings, and points out some of the benefits to be derived therefrom. The matter being referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, they reported adversely, on the ground that the Grand Lodge could not at that time incur the additional expense, and their report was adopted.

The report of the Board of Control, Masonic Home, is a model document, complete in every detail. The re-

ceipts were \$6,265; expenditures, \$6,254.73. We extract the following:

Average number of inmates for twelve months in the Home, 95.67. Per capita, \$55.42 per annum, showing an average cost to maintain each inmate of the Home, per month, \$4.61.

This low average cost has not been attained by stinting the inmates in any way, either as to provisions or clothing. nor does it include in the 95.67 average number of persons in the Home for twelve months the superintendent, the matron, the school teacher, the assistant school teacher, as they have been boarded and lived at the Home in addition to number shown above.

The number of beneficiaries in the home at the time of making the report was 99, consisting of 17 widows, 45 girls and 37 boys. During the interim between sessions, the members attended an entertainment given by the children of the home, and were delightfully entertained for two hours with songs, recitations, drills, etc.

Past Grand Master George H. Morgan has an interesting Report on Correspondence, despite the fact that most of the time during its preparation he was suffering from rheumatism; how he contrived to "look pleasant" in print when it took an extra twinge, is his own matter; he must have had St. Jacobs' patience, if not his oil!

Colorado for 1897 has a very fraternal review, being wholly taken up with a condensation of Grand Master Roe's address, and an extract from Brother Jasper W. Johnson's oration, which he finds "very interesting."

William H. Bumpas, Nashville, Grand Master; John R. Garrett, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

Sixty-second Annual, December, 1897.

The address of Grand Master A. B. Watkins is a model of conciseness in view of the fact that there are some 578 Lodges with a membership of 28,483. Within the limits of twelve pages he enumerates his official acts, decisions, recommendations and matters for the consideration of the Grand Lodge. He opens his address

with words of fraternal welcome and congratulation, and then indulges in these thoughts which we deem worthy of reproduction:

The first thought which meets us here is, have we as Masons progressed with the passing year? Have we kept step with that vanguard of honor, leading men up to higher things? Is there yet a place and a need for Masonry in our civil and social life?

It is not enough that we as Masons point to our acts of charity and benevolence and answer that in the year that has passed we have relieved the distressed, comforted the sick, provided for the needy and buried the dead.

We may recall with just pride that the Masonic Lodges in Texas have expended more money in the actual relief of the needy and distressed than any other organization in the state; that the interests and rents of our magnificent properties are perpetually dedicated to charity alone; and that we will shortly begin building a home for orphans commensurate with the demands of our great state.

But acts of benevolence should not be the only aim or the chief duty of a Mason. Let it be remembered that the great Masonic edifice which we erect is not built of stone and mortar, or money, or acts benevolent alone; but first of all it is founded upon pure and honorable characters and clean and upright lives. It is not only our duty to seek the light and preserve the light, but to disseminate the light, and this last we are taught is best reflected through honored and useful lives.

Let it rather be our pride that the law-breaker and the libertine, the gambler and the drunkard, the disreputable and the dishonest; find no fellowship among us; that the highest qualifications for a worker among us is a pure heart and "clean hands." In helpfulness of others let us not forget to uplift ourselves.

He then pays a loving tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master John Sayles.

Three dispensations for new Lodges were granted.

Eight dispensations were granted to Lodges to lay corner stones, the proposed structures being three Lodge rooms, three court houses and two churches.

He had refused all dispensations to confer degrees out of time.

He is disposed to relax the rule laid down by that Jurisdiction concerning physical qualifications. As the

subject is one of much importance and upon which there is a wide difference of opinion, we quote his remarks as follows:

I have been called on in numerous cases to determine the eligibility of parties with slight defects, physically, and while I have never personally been an adherent of the strict doctrine of "physical perfection," I recognize that this Grand Lodge was, and have, therefore, directed in each case such strict observance of the rule as laid down by this Grand Lodge. At the risk of appearing to reopen a settled question, I record here my personal view.

First—Since there is in fact no physically perfect man in existence, there should be some easily and clearly defined rule; and since the trivial injury of some member is in a physical sense in no way as serious as many unobservable bodily infirmities where the limbs are whole, that such rule should not apply rigorously to external defects where they are not such as to disqualify the candidate from conforming literally to all the requirements of the ceremonies of the several degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.

Second—I further conceive that, being charitable in our purposes, we should not permit a membership that, from weakness, effeminacy or infirmity, are likely to become a burden to the Lodge, or who are incapable of helping others than themselves. Still, where the internal qualifications are perfect and the above rule is applicable, I believe that he ought to be eligible.

I feel the more confirmed in these views from the fact that they are held by more than three-fourths of the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States and of the world—and because the Grand Lodge of England, the mother Grand Lodge of Free Masonry, not only adheres to it now, but I am informed has so done from time out of mind.

He submits four decisions, which were approved.

The Deputy Grand Master also presented a report of his official acts. He rendered six decisions which were approved, with the exception of the fifth, which was as follows:

Fifth—That an applicant for initiation who had one hip dislocated when a child, one leg thereby being about an inch shorter than the other, causing only a slight limp in his walk,

but whose members were all sound, having no defect other than that mentioned, was not thereby debarred from membership.

The Committee on Jurisprudence report that while no particular harm might result from the above decision, they are firm in their opinion that the Grand Lodge should adhere to the strict construction of its law concerning physical requirements. They also have words of commendation for the Grand Master who enforced their law, although his own opinion was in opposition thereto. The report of the committee was adopted and there will be no relaxation of the law in Texas.

Resolutions against persons engaged in the liquor traffic being eligible to become Masons were introduced and referred to a special committee, who presented majority and minority reports. The majority report was an exhaustive review of all matters in connection with the subject which had been embodied in the addresses of their Grand Masters, and also citing the action taken by other Grand Lodges, and concluding by recommending the adoption of the resolution. The minority report, which was adopted after a full discussion, was as follows:

A minority of your special committee, to whom was submitted the resolutions proposing a new qualification for membership in our Order, not being able to agree with a majority of the committee, and believing the proposed legislation unconstitutional and inexpedient, feel constrained to submit this minority report. In our opinion, the ancient tests, which have stood unchanged during the centuries that Masonry has existed, are amply secure and satisfactory; and having been incorporated into our fundamental law, can not be changed without destroying a landmark and violating the Grand Lodge Constitution. We think that (subject to the Constitution and ancient landmarks) the Subordinate Lodges and individuals also should be left undisturbed in the right to decide whom they shall elect to membership. We, therefore, recommend that the resolutions do not pass.

From the data gathered by the special committee and embodied in the majority report, the following Grand Lodges have enacted laws against persons engaged in the liquor traffic becoming Masons, and prohibiting Masons from engaging in the liquor business:

Kansas, 1873; Indiana, 1876; Missouri, 1882; Ohio, 1884; Washington, 1885; Arkansas, Colorado and Oregon, 1886; Iowa, 1888; Wisconsin, 1890; Montana, 1891; New Mexico, 1893; Delaware, Indian territory, Mississippi, Nebraska, Tennessee and Kentucky, 1895; Georgia and Wyoming, 1896; Minnesota and Utah, 1897.

Bids having been made by the Lodges from several localities for the location of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, that from Fort Worth Lodge was accepted, which was 200 acres of land and \$5,000 in cash and building material.

The cash and invested funds of the Home now amount to \$124,530.62, only the interest on which, together with appropriations by the Grand Lodge and moneys from other sources can be applied to the erection of buildings and other improvements.

The Report on Correspondence is, as usual, by Past Grand Master Thomas M. Matthews, and is a valuable condensation and review of the Proceedings of fifty-six Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1896 among the number. Grand Master Peirce's address is pronounced a "masterful presentation of his official acts," and matters other than those of local significance are briefly epitomized. He is enthusiastic over the oration of Brother J. W. Milsom, from which an extract is given. The business of the session and reports of committees receive due attention at his hands. Did space permit we should like to reproduce many of his valuable comments which are scattered through his report.

John L. Terrell, Terrell, Grand Master; John Watson, Houston, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

Twenty-seventh Annual, January, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Abram D. Gash is not merely a record of his official acts, but an able presentation of all matters affecting the interest of the Craft in his own Jurisdiction, and that of the Fraternity generally.

After extending welcome and congratulation, he pays a tribute to the memory of Worthy Brother Samuel

J. Nathan, Past Senior Grand Deacon. Having also made tender reference to the losses by death in the constituent Lodges, he takes occasion to refer to the attendance at Masonic funerals, and says: "During my Masonic life, I have never been absent from the funeral of a brother. No matter what I had laid out on my trestle board to occupy my time, it has always been laid aside in honor of my deceased brother for the time being."

Notwithstanding the business depression he is able to report Masonry in a prosperous condition and a gain in membership.

He recommends that the Grand Lodge sever all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He says that the Grand Dieta of Mexico is in such a condition that he can not favor its recognition.

He reports two decisions, one of which was amplified and the other covered by their Code.

He decided that Lodges must pay Grand Lodge dues for life members, which was approved.

He favored the observance of Decoration Day by the Lodges, but upon the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee the views advanced by him were disapproved.

He details the facts attending the presentation of the five hundred shares of the Pioneer library owned by the Grand Lodge, to the public library of Salt Lake City.

The report of Grand Secretary Diehl is full of interesting details. From his statistics we learn that the nine Lodges have a membership of 790, being a net gain of 27. Expended for charity, \$2,471.14. The Lodges have funds on hand amounting to \$11,006.18, and own property valued at \$14,220. He rejoices to know that the public Masonic or Pioneer library has at last found a place of safety. For twenty-four years Brother Diehl and other zealous Craftsmen labored zealously in the acquisition of its ten thousand volumes, and which have had an influence in the education and enlightenment of the masses, which no one can estimate. Brother Diehl, as Grand Librarian, is now turning his attention to the formation of a Grand Lodge Library which shall be a credit to that Jurisdiction, the shelves already containing 1,421 volumes of a Masonic character.

In the matter of the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Sweden, Brother Diehl, as chairman of the Committee

on Correspondence, recommends that no action be taken, which report was adopted.

The Grand Lodge, by unanimous vote, severed Masonic relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That all insurance associations claiming to be Masonic, or having any name indicating or suggesting Masonry, be and are hereby declared unmasonic.

The usual dessert to the dry details of Grand Lodge transactions is found in the splendid Report on Correspondence by Brother Christopher Diehl, with whom its preparation has come to be a labor of love. It is his twenty-second effort in this special field, and it is of corresponding excellence born of his long experience. Colorado for 1897 receives generous treatment at his hands. He epitomizes the salient features of Grand Master Roe's address, and the legislation and incidents of the session are kept well in view. He has a word of praise for Past Grand Master Teller, who granted the dispensation and subsequently signed the Charter for Argenta Lodge, which enabled the Utah Masons to organize their Grand Lodge. Referring to the call of the committee upon the venerable brother, Adna A. Treat, he says: "Such an action is praiseworthy, and we believe that it was more health-giving to the venerable brother than a glass of water from the Ponce de Leon spring."

Our report receives due attention and he fully endorses our views respecting the publication of details in appeal cases.

By direction of the Grand Lodge, at the conclusion of his report he adds a review of "Free Masonry in Mexico," covering seven pages, which is exhaustive in its treatment, and leaves no doubt in the mind of the intelligent Mason that it is advisable to leave Mexican Masonry severely alone.

John F. Hardie, Salt Lake City, Grand Master;
Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

One Hundred and Fifth Annual, June, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Daniel N. Nicholson was written when the country was in the white heat of excitement engaged in a war with Spain, and he makes passing reference thereto, and under the head of "Necrology" denounces that terrible deed, the blowing up of the battleship Maine, by which so many lives were sacrificed without a moment's warning. He devotes several pages to the fraternal dead of that and other Grand Jurisdictions.

He reports eight dispensations to confer degrees out of time.

He reports five decisions, which were approved.

He submits for the consideration of the Grand Lodge letters received from the Grand Orient of Belgium and Grand Orient of Italy.

He recommends action in regard to their participation in the Washington Memorial observance.

The following figures are given as to the cost of the new Masonic Temple: The cost of temple and site to the Grand Lodge was \$79,686.29, in addition to which the citizens of Burlington contributed towards the site \$7,500, making the grand total \$87,186.29.

The dedicatory exercises of the new temple occurred on the afternoon of the first day, and the Proceedings contain the able addresses of the Grand Master and other distinguished brethren upon that gala occasion.

The recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium was deferred until the next annual.

Having received no official communication from the Grand Lodge of Peru, no definite action was taken further than to condemn such course should it be taken by any Grand Lodge, and to express the hope that the Grand Lodge of Peru will quickly realize the falsity of its position and retrace its steps.

The Grand Master having in his address called attention to the fact that the jewels of their Grand Deacons were "hammers" instead of "square and compasses with sun" and "square and compasses with moon," respectively, as laid down by the best authorities, had recommended that the proper jewels be procured. The

Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom the matter was referred, finally evolved the following:

"In view of the fact that we do not know what induced the fathers to adopt the 'hammer' as the jewel of the Deacons and its long use, we do not deem it advisable to make any change at this time; possibly further investigation of the subject may warrant action along the line suggested by the Grand Master."

Past Grand Master Marsh O. Perkins furnishes an able Report on Correspondence, which as usual contains valuable comment and historical data suggested by the matter under review. Colorado for 1897 receives fraternal consideration. Grand Master's Roe's address passes muster. Brother Ed.'s resolution, adverse to the Grand Master's prerogative to make Masons at sight, receives the cold shoulder. Says he:

"Better let the question rest, Brother P.; the older Jurisdictions by precept and example are against you, and then—the prerogative does exist, although we have never known of its exercise by any Grand Master in Vermont, unless the granting of dispensations to act on petitions and confer degrees out of time may be so considered."

He questions Brother Jasper W. Johnson's historical accuracy in this wise:

"We notice he undertakes to perpetuate some of the historical fallacies anent the Masonic status of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and the leaders of the Continental army. No honor can be gained by the fraternity by such 'unvarnished tales' long since exposed. The light of historical research has shown that neither a majority of the one nor all of the others were ever within the tiled recesses of the Lodge, and the mistakes of our elders may as well be admitted and acknowledged."

Daniel N. Nicholson, Burlington, Grand Master;
Warren G. Reynolds, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

One Hundred and Twentieth Annual, December, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Alfred R. Courtney is an able presentment of all matters affecting the prosperity and stability of Masonry in that Grand Jurisdiction.

He says material prosperity has not been in evidence the past twelve months, and yet the suspensions for non-payment of dues have not exceeded the usual average, and none of the Lodges have surrendered their Charters for want of funds to meet current expenses.

He had granted eight dispensations for new Lodges.

He reports having laid two corner stones, while several others were laid by proxy. Under this head we note the following, which seems to ignore churches for such ceremonies. We do not recall any similar utterance by a Grand Master:

I declined to call the Grand Lodge to lay the corner stone of the Presbyterian church in Charlottesville, which I was requested to do by Widow's Son Lodge No. 60 of that city, because I did not consider that that was a building of such a general and public character as to justify the performance of the ceremony by the Grand Lodge. The Subordinate Lodges may with propriety, and frequently do, lay the corner stones of churches, but I do not think it would be becoming in the Grand Lodge to do so.

He advises against the practice of reëlecting the same Master for a number of years in succession, "it being a fruitful source of apathy and want of interest amongst the members."

Regarding the Masonic Home he says it has been demonstrated that the Masons of that Jurisdiction can easily furnish the funds necessary for its support. Voluntary contributions alone were called for the past year, when 149 out of 263 chartered Lodges contributed \$2,187.62. He thinks that when the other 114 Lodges realize and fully understand the matter, that there will be no difficulty in realizing \$4,000 by voluntary contributions, which sum will be sufficient for the yearly support of the Home.

He recommends the preparation of a list of the foreign Grand Lodges which have been officially recognized by that Grand Lodge, and its publication in the Proceedings, for the information of the Lodges and the Craft generally.

He gives his hearty support to the proposition that the "old commonwealth" Grand Lodge take the initiative in the Washington Memorial observance.

Five decisions were reported, all but one of which were approved.

The Committee on Propositions made a full report on Washington Memorial observance, from which we extract the following:

That as soon as practicable after the closing of this Grand Lodge, a copy of this report be addressed to the Grand Master of every Grand Lodge of Masons in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, and that each and every Grand Lodge be invited to be present at the proposed services or ceremonies in the person of its Grand Master, or, in his absence, such alternate as each Grand Master may appoint; that the Grand Lodge of Colorado be fraternally thanked for inaugurating this matter, and that some duty in the programme be especially assigned to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of that Jurisdiction.

That Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4 and Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, of the latter of which Worshipful Brother George Washington was the Master named in its Charter, be specially invited to aid in the furtherance of the object of this report, and that, if practicable, each of these Lodges, because of its history and connection with Worshipful Brother George Washington, be given a prominent part in the exercises it may be deemed proper to arrange for in the programme.

The Grand Lodges of New Zealand, Tasmania and Victoria were recognized.

No action was taken as to the recognition of the Grand Dieta of Mexico until its status has been more fully ascertained.

The reports of fifty District Deputies are published in the Proceedings, and there is no lack of information as to the condition of Masonry in any locality. The total membership is 12,846.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Brother J. E. Alexander, the junior member of the com-

mittee, and it compares most favorably with those which have come under our observation. We fail to discover any marks of the 'prentice hand.

Colorado for 1896 has four and a half pages devoted to its review. He gives space to a liberal extract from M. W. Brother H. P. H. Bromwell's masterly reply on behalf of the Grand Representatives.

Grand Master Peirce's address is given full consideration and two of his decisions quoted with approval, and to the discussion of one of which two and a half pages are devoted. This was No. 8, as follows:

"To be in good Masonic standing as required by the Constitution and By-Laws of our Grand Lodge, a brother must have received the degrees of E. A., F. C. and M. M. in a just and regularly constituted Lodge of A. F. and A. M., *and be a member of and in good standing in a regular Lodge.*"

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended that this decision should read:

"The Masonic standing of any brother, be he E. A., F. C., or M. M., is only *impaired by a sentence of a regular Lodge after due trial.*" (Recommendation adopted.)

This does not accord with the law of Virginia; suspension for non-payment of dues, without the formality of "due trial," but by "*civis voce*" vote after the delinquent has been properly "cited" to appear, operates as a bar to good standing.

We think we see in the decision of the Grand Master reference to the vexatious question of non-affiliation, and on this subject Virginia is as liberal as most Grand Jurisdictions.

After further discussion he says:

Personally we *lean hard* toward the Grand Master's decision.

He further says:

In this connection we notice, that after adopting the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence, the Grand Lodge of Colorado "adopted by more than a two-thirds vote" the following:

"Non-affiliation is cause for *discipline* and all non-affiliates who have not made application for membership in some Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, within one year, shall not be entitled to visit any Lodge more than twice during the year, nor join

any Masonic procession, nor be entitled as a matter of right to Masonic burial."

If Masonic standing is only impaired by sentence of a Lodge *after due trial* (Colorado), or is impaired *without due trial*, by suspension for non-payment of dues (Virginia), what relation in the particular of "standing" does the non-affiliate bear to the Masonic fraternity under the other laws, last mentioned, of Virginia, Colorado, and other Jurisdictions?

Good standing is generally understood to entitle a brother to all the rights and benefits of Masonry. Brother Fellows says: "The non-affiliate can only be deprived of Lodge benefits, but is entitled to all the other benefits, which are infinitely superior to Lodge benefits, strictly speaking." What are the superior benefits of the non-affiliate in good standing?

1. A knowledge of the mysteries of Masonry.
2. The pleasurable enjoyment of reflection upon teachings which lose more than half their charm and are indeed nothing but "words, words, words," unless practiced.
3. The right to make himself known to and converse on the subject of Masonry with any brother willing thereto.
4. The right to claim the assistance of any *individual Mason*, should his necessities require it.

Are there any other benefits than those mentioned outside of Lodge benefits?

The discussion continues through another page, but our limited space forbids further extracts.

R. T. W. Duke, Jr., Charlottesville, Grand Master;
Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Thirty-third Annual, November, 1897.

The address of Grand Master Braxton D. Gibson is able, though somewhat voluminous, in that he also assumes the role of Grand Orator before reaching his conclusion.

As we of the West would say, he booms West Virginia in his opening, and from his flowery prelude we are led to infer that "She's all right!"

He reports the condition of the Craft as generally harmonious, though in a few instances its serenity had been disturbed by stormy Lodge trials.

Five corner stones were laid, one in person and four

by proxy, the proposed structures being two Masonic halls and three churches.

He had granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

Among special dispensations refused was one to permit the Order of the Eastern Star to meet in a Lodge room, it not being a Masonic body.

Sixteen decisions are reported, which were all approved except two.

He reports having made a Mason at sight, and details the circumstances as follows:

MAKING A MASON AT SIGHT.

On the evening of Tuesday, the 2d day of November, 1897, in the exercise of one of the prerogatives of the Grand Master of Masons, by virtue of the Ancient Usages and Landmarks of Free Masonry, I convened and opened an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge, and with the consent and assistance of its officers and the brethren present, I conferred the three degrees in Masonry "at sight" on Professor Abraham C. Kimler, age 43 years, who is a resident of Shepherdstown, in Jefferson county, and the president of Shepherd College.

At the invitation of Mt. Nebo Lodge No. 91, the Emergent Communication was held in its handsome Lodge room at Shepherdstown, where we were the recipients of their proverbial kindness and hospitality.

The character and qualifications of the candidate had been fully investigated, and he was found worthy in every particular—conforming physically, mentally and morally to all the requirements of the Craft. And he was recommended as one who would make a zealous and exemplary Mason.

The candidate had never applied to any Lodge of Masons, though he was a warm friend to our Order, and in several ways his favorable opinion had redounded to the benefit of the fraternity. At my direction he signed and presented to me the regular petition containing the declarations set out in our standard petition for the mysteries of Free Masonry.

The right to exercise this prerogative is as old as the office of Grand Master, and has been practiced from time to time by Grand Masters in other Jurisdictions, but I am the first to report special circumstances giving the opportunity to exercise the prerogative in West Virginia. I have not done so in a careless or hasty manner; but made sure all was right before going ahead.

A close study of the subject, supplemented by correspond-

ence with brothers learned in Masonic lore, discloses to us that the phrase, "making a Mason at sight," is a technical one that has been misinterpreted by some writers who do not devote attention to the Book of Constitutions and the Landmarks.

Masonically considered, the phrase means the initiation, passing and raising of a candidate by the Grand Master in person in an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge, or in an "occasional Lodge," specially convened by the Grand Master for that purpose only, and consisting of seven or more Master Masons, where without the delay of the requirements of the ballot, probation or examination for advancement, but on sight of the candidate, and with the consent and assistance of the brethren present, the three degrees are conferred upon him, one after the other, with the regular preparation, reception and floor work. The whole ceremonies closing with an epitome of the lectures as full as the time will permit; and finally the reading of the charge, and then the declaration that the brother is a Master Mason, and as such is entitled to apply to any Lodge with his petition for membership.

Under this term "at sight," there is no claim of manifestation of any occultism or magic powers whereby a profane is transformed into a Master Mason by a mere glance of the Grand Master's eye. There is nothing of witchery implied in the use of the term. It is a ceremony of strict and proper Masonic work.

The use of ciphers is condemned in the strongest terms, and he thinks the agitation of the question has resulted in good, and that some Grand Jurisdictions have been led to see the error of their ways and are about to abandon the system.

He does not believe it expedient to establish relations with Mexico at present.

He embodied in his address, under the head of "Free Masonry: Its Limitations and Tendencies," a full-fledged discourse or oration of some six pages, to which we made reference at the beginning of this review. It is such a fine production that the space and time occupied were as well filled by it as with dry details, and it probably made a more lasting impression upon the minds of those present.

From the Grand Secretary's report we learn that very little interest was taken by the Lodges in the Masonic Orphans' Home, only 40 out of 110 chartered Lodges replying to the circular letter sent, of which eighteen were in favor and twenty-two opposed to its estab-

lishment. Subsequently, when the matter came up in Grand Lodge, there was a spirited debate over the majority and minority reports which were presented. The majority report, which opposed the undertaking at the present time, was adopted.

Full reports were presented by the District Deputies and the Deputy Grand Lecturers, giving details as to the condition of the Lodges.

The Maine proposition, restricting jurisdiction over rejected material to five years, lacked only one vote of the necessary two-thirds for its adoption and was rejected.

The Committee on Reports of Grand Officers made the following reference to making Masons at sight:

The only portion of the Grand Master's address which specially invites the attention of this committee is that part thereof which refers to his action in making Masons at sight. While the question of Masonic law involved in such action is a proper subject for consideration by another committee of this body, yet this committee thinks it advisable to recommend to the Grand Masters that whatever may be the law as to the prerogatives of the Grand Master in such cases, it is one that should be exercised with great caution and only in extreme emergency. In the case reported by the Grand Master, your committee is of the opinion, from the address of the Grand Master, that the greatest care and caution was exercised by him.

The statistics show a total membership of 5,983, being a net gain of 156.

Past Grand Master George W. Atkinson again furnishes the Report on Correspondence, which is fully up to his usual high standard of excellence. Colorado for 1897 has extended notice. The address of Grand Master Roe is fully reviewed and commented upon, generally with approval. He gives an extract from Brother Johnson's oration and says he ably discussed his subject.

The business of the session and all important matters are noted, his review covering over four pages.

The Grand Secretary adds as an addenda a beautiful steel portrait and sketch of the life of Past Grand Master Odell S. Long, who died as the old year was waning, after a brief illness.

Samuel N. Myers, Martinsburg, Grand Master; George W. Atkinson, Charleston, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

Fifty-fourth Annual, June, 1898.

The address of Grand Master Nathan C. Griffin, in addition to a record of his official acts, is also an able commentary upon many vital questions affecting the well-being and future prosperity of the Craft. His retrospective glance at the progress of Masonry in that Jurisdiction contains much valuable data, from which we can make but a few brief extracts. During the fifty-four years of existence of that Grand Lodge they have had twenty-eight Grand Masters, seventeen of whom are still living. During the twenty years between 1876 and 1896 the voting population of the state increased about 75 per cent., and the membership of the fraternity about 56 per cent. He enlarges upon the dangers of too rapid increase of members, quantity at the expense of quality. He is outspoken in regard to the growing practice among over-zealous Masons of soliciting persons to join the fraternity in violation of our laws. Between the years 1898 and 1897, 14,000 Masons were raised in that Jurisdiction. The losses by death during the same period were about 3,000. The net increase for the twenty years was only about 6,000. Where, he asks, are the other 5,000? He answers his query by replying, expelled, suspended or dimitted. While losses by death are inevitable, and a closer inspection of material might avoid some of those by expulsion and suspension, there yet remain others, "quite a large number who, having become members from pecuniary or other unworthy motives, after a short period, not realizing their expectations, dimit and remain unaffiliated." In discussing these matters, too frequently the blame is laid at the door of the individual instead of the Lodge. Is it not pertinent to inquire how much of the dissatisfaction felt by those who become Masons is due to the incompetence of Lodge officers? We question whether, if the Grand Master himself had received his degrees at the hands of an ignoramus of a W. M., assisted by a corps of equally befogged numbskulls, the good opinion and high ideal he had previously conceived for the institution might not suffer such disenchantment as to occasion an early application for a dimit. Such cases are not isolated. There are two sides to the vexed

questions of non-affiliation and suspension for non-payment of dues, as we have had occasion heretofore to remark, and, upon full investigation, Masonry, as too often practiced, will not be found entirely blameless. But we have already digressed too far.

We extract the following from his reply to those raising objections to the Eastern Star occupying Lodge rooms:

While not a member of the order myself, I have no special objection to permitting Masons' wives and daughters occasionally occupying our apartments for purposes not in conflict with Masonic teachings. If our Lodge rooms are too sacred for our wives and our daughters to sometimes cross the threshold and discover their shape, they must in sacredness exceed the temples erected for the worship of the Supreme Architect of the Universe. Each Lodge, however, has a right to decide for itself, subject to the approval of the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge, as to what institutions shall be permitted to occupy their apartments.

He reports sixteen decisions, four of which were modified and the rest approved.

Among those approved was the following:

Q. Has a virtual Past Master any right to sit in a Lodge of actual Past Masters?

A. Yes. There must, however, be present at least three actual Past Masters.

We have expressed our opinion on this question many times. The decision is contrary to all Masonic law and the traditions of the Craft, and is one of those decisions calculated to place American Grand Lodges in a ridiculous attitude. We should be pleased to read any argument in defense of the correctness of the decision that any one has to offer. Other questions admit of an honest difference of opinion and interchange of views—but this is beyond the pale of anything like serious argument. Virtual Past Masters have received the degree as a makeshift; they are expressly told in the charge they receive when it is conferred upon them that it does not give them any official rank outside of the Chapter and that they are not to claim any peculiar privileges in consequence of having so received it. Not only this,

but they are distinctly told that the name Virtual Past Masters is bestowed upon them "to show that, with the investiture of the secrets, they have not received the rights and prerogatives of the degree." Can language be plainer? We regret that the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin has not seen fit to designate the proper place of these interlopers, so far as a Lodge or convention of actual Past Masters is concerned, which is, that they have no right to sit therein, and that leave be granted them to withdraw *with* prejudice for having intruded themselves where they have been repeatedly told in the vernacular of the Craft—they were not wanted.

He devotes considerable space to patriotic sentiments in regard to the war with Spain, under the head of "Cuba."

He reports having issued an edict suspending Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

From report of the Committee on Returns we glean the following statistics: Present membership, 17,226; net gain, 280; excluded (probably for non-payment of dues), 287.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand was recognized. Action in the case of the request of the Grand Orient of Belgium was deferred pending fuller information.

Past Grand Master Aldro Jenks writes a most able Report on Correspondence, reviewing the Proceedings of fifty-seven Grand Lodges, five of them for two years.

With many of his views we are in hearty accord, for which reason we regret that he saw proper to affix his name to the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, approving of the decision concerning Virtual Past Masters, upon which we have commented above. Colorado for 1897 has a liberal share of his space. After brief reference to Grand Master Roe's address, he finds a text for discussion on physical qualifications, in his refusal to grant a dispensation to initiate "a candidate whose right foot turned inward nearly at right angle." Says he:

Well, we should think he would; that is, if he had any dispensating power on the subject. We have always maintained in Wisconsin that there is a landmark that prescribes the physical qualifications requisite for initiation. If a candidate possesses these requisites, a dispensation is unnecessary; if he does

not, no dispensation can give them to him. If Grand Masters and Grand Lodges can disregard or abrogate one landmark, why not another?

As well issue a dispensation to enable a Lodge to initiate an atheist or a woman, as to dispense with the ancient requirement concerning physical qualifications.

The same ancient Constitutions that forbid the one forbid the other with equal strictness. Or, does that which was always accounted a landmark by our fathers cease to be such when some one chooses to call himself "a modern investigator" and denies its existence? If so, it is in order for us to follow the light of modern criticism, reject God and the Bible and join France, Mexico and Peru in their Masonic career. We suppose the writer would be classed among the old fogies of Masonry; yet it seems to us that they who sanction a departure from the strictness of the ancient law in this respect, lose sight of a portion of the symbolism of Masonry. The Masonic law is similar to the Levitical law, which forbade a man "to go in unto the veil" who had a blemish—a blind man, or a lame, or a man that was broken footed, or broken handed, or a dwarf, etc. In offering sacrifices the Levitical law likewise required that it should be "a male without blemish." St. Peter declared that we have been redeemed "with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot." A candidate in approaching the altar of Free Masonry comes, as did the Levite of old, dedicating himself from henceforth to the service of the Great Jehovah. The Mason who fails to realize this has failed to understand the great lesson taught in Masonry. Putting his trust in God, the initiate is taught to never mention His name but with that reverential awe that is due from the creature to his Creator; to esteem Him as the chief good; to implore His aid in all his laudable undertakings, and to regulate his conduct toward God and toward man agreeably to the teachings of His divine Word.

Masonry exists and has existed because it has held up before the world and before its votaries high ideals.

As Masonry deals with man, and man alone, so its ideal has been that of perfect manhood. Manhood that is perfect morally, perfect mentally, perfect spiritually, and, to complete the ideal, perfect physically. It is true that there are none that are perfect in any of these respects; they would no longer be ideals if they were attainable; but in striving to attain the unattainable, we arrive nearer to perfection than we would if our aims were lower. Once let the symbolic nature of the "material" that is to enter into the "temple" be understood by the Craft in all its

significance, and, in observing it strictly, they will see not only that it comes up to the requirements, as near as may be, physically and mentally, but morally and spiritually as well. Thus, through the strict observance of this landmark in its symbolic meaning, we shall secure that which Masonry most needs—not more members, but better members.

James G. Monahan, Darlington, Grand Master;
John W. Laffin, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING.

Twenty-third Annual, September, 1897.

Grand Master De Forest Richards refers in his opening remarks to the improved condition of affairs in that Jurisdiction, after four years of business depression. He finds cause for gratitude as he turns his thought to other lands. We quote his words as follows:

We have other causes of gratitude to divine Providence, which we should not forget, in offering up our devotions to Him. While drought has devastated the fair domain of Australia; while countless thousands have perished for want of food in India; while struggling Armenian Christians have been ruthlessly slaughtered by the infidel Turk; and while the beautiful rose of the Antilles is devastated by relentless Spain against the struggling Cuban patriots, while many foreign nations are languishing under a failure of crops, we are blessed in America by peace, bounteous harvests and times of plenty.

He pays a tribute to the fraternal dead of the constituent Lodges, thirteen in number, all of whom are mentioned by name, with Lodge membership and date of death.

He submits the Maine resolutions concerning rejected candidates, which proposed law is practically the same in Wyoming.

A Lodge by precipitous action received and balloted upon a petition for membership unaccompanied by a dimit. The matter being referred to the Grand Master he decided that it was illegal. The decision was approved and the Grand Lodge adopted the following resolution reported by the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Be it Resolved, by the Grand Lodge of Wyoming, A. F. and A. M., That the action of Wyoming Lodge No. 2, A. F. and A. M., of Lander, Wyo., in receiving and acting upon the petition of Brother F. H. Welty, a non-affiliate, unaccompanied by a dimit, be and the same is hereby declared null and void, and the action of said Lodge upon said petition is hereby annulled.

The statistics furnished by the Grand Secretary show a loss of 12 members, present membership 1,011. The loss is accounted for by the unusual number of deaths and the greater number of suspensions for non-payment of dues, the latter being 36 compared to 9 in 1896.

The Washington memorial was approved, and a committee of three appointed with full power to act on behalf of that Grand Lodge.

No action was taken in regard to the Maine resolutions, their own law being practically in conformity to that proposed.

The Report on Correspondence is by Brother W. L. Kuykendall, as usual, who allows himself a little more space than last year in which to give expression to his opinions on Masonic questions. Colorado for 1896 receives fraternal comment. The address of Grand Master Peirce is condensed and its essential features preserved. Referring to his refusal to grant a dispensation authorizing a brother to act as his deputy because of the absence of the Master and Wardens from the Jurisdiction, he says:

We have a better way in Wyoming. If the W. M., S. W. and J. W. all rush off during a mining excitement, or for any other reason absent themselves, a Past Master acts, and thus no regular meeting of a Lodge is missed, and regular attendants are not put out one meeting night after another with a goodly quorum present but no regular chair officers. No dispensation is necessary and the interest in Lodge meetings is kept up, and that, too, without detriment in any way.

Our report comes in for a goodly share of his attention. We quote a portion of his reply as follows, in reference to views expressed by us regarding Anderson's Constitutions:

"He says those of 1738 were approved by the Grand Lodge of England. Brother Mackey says they were printed and found erroneous and the Grand Lodge withdrew its sanction, whilst Brother Drummond, in his *Maine Masonic Text Book*, on page 188, says those of 1722 have ever since been accepted as the true version, and Grand Lodge sanction to those of 1738 was refused. Now, when such great and learned doctors disagree, we who are mere novices have good and sufficient reason to doubt the whole business, and it makes very little difference which was approved by the Grand Lodge, so far as real genuineness is concerned. They differ widely, and how this could happen with his claimed opportunity of access, from which he says he 'collected and digested by order of the Grand Lodge from their old records, faithful traditions and Lodge books,' is beyond our reasoning powers. We agree on our brother's quotation that the Constitutions digested as above proves what we have claimed, that our Masonry originated about 1717. The important book our brother refers to is the earliest account of the first twenty-one years of the Grand Lodge of England, and we would like to know how 'old records, faithful traditions and Lodge books' could be very old at twenty-one years of age. No, brother, we can guess pretty close as to how and about the time when the foundation was laid for our institution, and it will not vary very far from above date. We would be glad to enjoy the faith our brother has in the great antiquity of our Masonry, but all records on the subject coming under our observation so far do not get very far away from the organization of the Grand Lodge of England."

In our last year's report the above matter is quite fully discussed in our conclusion, under the head of "Masonic Antiquity," in reply to Brother W. H. Upton's strictures on Dr. Anderson's historical accuracy. We commend to Brother K. a careful reading of the same. We regret to see a person with the intelligence of Brother K. put himself upon record in such words as these: "We can guess pretty close as to how and about the time when the foundation was laid for our institution, and it will not vary very far from above date." (1717.) In our investigations, even the known historic date is constantly receding, while traditional lore to be found among widely scattered races, carries its origin back to remote antiquity.

E. P. Rohrbaugh, Cheyenne, Grand Master; Wm. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

STATISTICS.

We again acknowledge our indebtedness to M. W. Brother Jesse B. Anthony, for the following valuable tables of statistics, which were compiled by him for his Report on Correspondence to the Grand Lodge of New York, 1898:

GRAND LODGE	No. Subor- dinates	Mem- ber- ship	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended for N. P. of Dues	Suspended & Expelled	Net Gain	Net Loss
Alabama	375	11,368	563	405	348	224	424	552	37	277	---
Arizona	15	618	47	38	9	8	21	30	---	48	---
Arkansas	444	13,663	470	342	91	215	401	595	33	---	341
California	264	18,808	1,043	513	127	355	403	388	6	600	---
Colorado	103	7,335	401	223	31	88	178	166	2	78	---
Connecticut	109	17,053	705	57	45	227	101	165	6	258	---
Delaware	21	2,126	73	17	---	23	15	8	4	49	---
D. of Columbia	25	5,144	218	68	46	114	63	127	---	25	---
Florida	152	4,317	253	175	51	82	268	227	1	69	---
Georgia	420	18,183	1,112	---	---	---	---	---	---	866	---
Idaho	29	1,175	39	42	10	18	37	18	---	20	---
Illinois	725	53,285	2,642	789	255	766	1,010	1,125	31	776	---
Indiana	488	29,387	1,810	706	203	419	772	538	43	948	---
Indian Terr'y	86	3,107	252	225	44	34	245	95	12	135	---
Iowa	482	27,489	1,390	613	206	317	664	780	35	413	---
Kansas	357	19,888	909	447	140	247	666	428	12	209	---
Kentucky	467	18,461	1,162	373	353	334	538	988	15	97	---
Louisiana	133	5,439	277	90	44	130	110	163	3	5	---
Maine	192	22,085	721	118	59	339	160	242	3	132	---
Maryland	101	7,474	483	55	19	126	88	93	3	173	---
Massachusetts	235	33,416	1,880	254	52	559	48	296	6	956	---
Michigan	387	39,576	1,901	441	104	528	621	458	7	908	---
Minnesota	209	15,691	731	285	53	170	385	291	13	210	---
Mississippi	273	9,110	514	305	186	203	350	256	17	179	---
Missouri	561	30,880	1,164	643	308	508	754	970	56	49	---
Montana	42	2,706	137	84	25	38	71	58	1	80	---
Nebraska	230	11,763	455	197	81	117	275	488	13	73	---
Nevada	20	832	35	19	10	19	31	23	1	10	---
N. Hampshire	77	9,111	405	---	12	136	78	33	2	148	---
New Jersey	167	16,543	948	207	81	282	183	332	6	433	---
New Mexico	20	854	39	30	6	14	34	61	6	40	---
New York	740	93,271	5,757	1,055	1,133	1,568	1,170	2,789	21	2,897	---
N. Carolina	290	10,370	627	244	100	149	232	285	70	215	---
North Dakota	48	2,702	211	79	5	23	96	23	---	152	---
Ohio	498	41,713	2,245	541	847	624	610	1,486	49	874	---
Oklahoma	34	1,340	122	113	17	8	80	67	2	95	---
Oregon	103	4,906	213	105	32	70	99	165	7	11	---
Pennsylvania	428	51,031	2,739	545	---	811	368	663	---	1,442	---
Rhode Island	37	5,113	259	269	7	76	22	46	3	129	---
S. Carolina	179	5,853	110	---	---	117	207	209	---	128	---
South Dakota	95	*4,308	217	94	33	35	179	64	1	65	---
Tennessee	429	17,588	715	500	192	382	603	440	37	55	---
Texas	643	28,483	1,151	1,250	255	487	1,375	665	136	821	---
Utah	9	790	39	36	8	14	20	20	1	27	---
Vermont	102	7,758	396	70	13	146	141	114	12	66	---
Virginia	209	12,803	1,000	177	98	220	465	324	19	149	---
Washington	101	4,649	198	129	77	59	175	544	15	344	---
West Virginia	112	5,983	409	85	34	73	128	167	24	156	---
Wisconsin	239	16,946	983	316	80	238	347	280	26	538	---
Wyoming	15	1,011	45	21	1	13	27	36	1	12	---
	11,580	778,508	40,215	13,421	5,961	11,753	15,338	18,192	808	15,337	944

*Estimated.

GRAND LODGE	No. Subor- dinate	Mem- ber- ship	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended for N. P. of Dues	Suspended & Expelled	Net Gain	Net Loss
Total in U.S.	11,580	778,808	40,215	13,421	5,961	11,753	15,333	18,192	808	15,387	944
B. Columbia	26	1,242	85	67	1	19	53	47	8	34	---
Canada	880	23,398	1,348	340	124	287	685	722	8	130	---
Manitoba	59	2,641	240	107	21	16	99	41	---	202	---
N. Brunswick	31	1,781	78	12	10	22	41	35	---	---	8
Nova Scotia	62	3,409	202	50	23	48	77	68	2	58	---
P. Edward Is.	12	520	18	5	2	7	8	5	---	5	---
Quebec	56	3,519	208	48	23	41	110	67	1	---	24
	606	36,510	2,179	629	204	440	1,053	985	11	429	32
Total	12,186	815,018	42,394	14,050	6,165	12,193	16,391	19,177	819	15,766	976

STATISTICAL COMPARISON.

	1895	1896	1897	1898
Grand Lodges	57	57	57	57
Subordinate Lodges	11,807	11,493	12,045	12,186
Raised	39,524	41,543	44,556	42,394
Affiliated	14,764	17,482	17,422	14,060
Restored	5,316	5,804	6,329	6,165
Died	10,726	11,262	12,064	12,193
Dimitted	16,489	17,449	17,728	16,391
Suspended for non-payment of dues	15,052	17,944	18,933	19,177
Suspended and expelled	754	776	832	819
Membership	767,761	783,644	799,835	815,018

Based upon the tables we find in the Grand Lodges of the United States the following percentages:

	1895	1896	1897	1898
Accession by new work	5.25	5.41	5.69	5.26
Additions by affiliation and restoration	2.69	3.03	3.08	2.54
Losses by death	1.45	1.47	1.54	1.54
Losses for non-payment of dues	1.99	2.33	2.43	2.01
Losses by dimission	2.25	2.27	2.26	2.38
Net gain of the year	2.54	2.07	2.21	1.88

In numerical standing the most prominent rank in the following order:

New York.....	93,271
Illinois.....	53,285
Pennsylvania.....	51,081
Ohio.....	41,713
Michigan.....	39,576
Massachusetts.....	38,416
Missouri.....	30,890
Indiana.....	29,887
Texas.....	28,483
Iowa.....	27,489
Maine.....	22,085
Kansas.....	19,888
California.....	18,908
Kentucky.....	18,464

The average of membership to each Lodge is greatest in the following:

District of Columbia.....	206
Massachusetts.....	163
Connecticut.....	157
New York.....	126
Pennsylvania.....	119
New Hampshire.....	118
Maine.....	115
Michigan.....	102
Delaware.....	101
New Jersey.....	99
Utah.....	88
Ohio.....	84
Vermont.....	76
Illinois.....	75

The jurisdiction having Lodges of the largest membership are in the following order:

GRAND LODGE	SUBORDINATE LODGE		LOCATION	Member-ship
	NAME	No.		
Minnesota.....	Minneapolis.....	19	Minneapolis.....	836
Connecticut.....	Hiram.....	1	New Haven.....	768
New York.....	Genesee Falls.....	507	Rochester.....	706
Illinois.....	Covenant.....	526	Chicago.....	684
Michigan.....	Zion.....	1	Detroit.....	620
Ohio.....	Magnolia.....	20	Columbus.....	576
District of Columbia.....	La Fayette.....	19	Washington, D. C.....	555
Colorado.....	Denver.....	5	Denver.....	544
Massachusetts.....	Roswell Lee.....	---	Springfield.....	535
Pennsylvania.....	Washington.....	59	Philadelphia.....	527
Rhode Island.....	What Cheer.....	21	Providence.....	523
California.....	California.....	1	San Francisco.....	476
Missouri.....	Tuscan.....	360	St. Louis.....	440

CONCLUSION.

Having reached the end of our journey through the Masonic realm, let us now pause and briefly chronicle a few of our "impressions by the way."

We have thought proper to dispense with our usual "Digest of Decisions" in this Report; should it leave an "aching void," it will be continued in our next.

Forty-two of the fifty-eight Proceedings reviewed, contain Reports on Correspondence. Sixteen are without this distinctive feature, some of whom promise to make good the deficiency another year.

In the forty-two Reports the reviews of Colorado Proceedings cover 123 pages, or a little less than three pages each on an average. The shortest review is that of Mississippi, one and one-eighth pages; and the two longest, Illinois and Ohio, with seven and one-half pages each.

Questions that have been under discussion for years are seemingly no nearer final settlement. Yet we have reason to hope that the light which has been thrown upon them by the discussions of Grand Masters, Jurisprudence and Correspondence Committees, will yet result in securing greater uniformity, though we confess that the movement in that direction is so slow as to be rather disheartening.

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

One of the questions most constantly recurring, and upon which the widest divergence of opinion exists, is that of Physical Qualifications. While the "perfect youth" theory is treated seriously by some, it is made the butt of ridicule by others. As intimated by us in a passing reference to the subject, under the head of "Manitoba," where the views of Bro. W. J. Hughan are quoted, we believe it essential to inquire into the symbolical significance of the requirement, and to ascertain whether it is not based on the old Jewish law of perfection, and as such, has come down to us with other similar requirements as a part of our esotery. If so, it is pertinent to

inquire whether it can be changed or modified to suit modern ideas of progression or sentiment. It is a singular fact that in one form or another, this rule of physical perfection occurs in all the copies of the Old Charges. It was plainly set forth in article IV. of the Old Charges, collected by order of Grand Master Montague and published in 1722, and approved by the Grand Lodge of England. Bro. Hughan in his letter intimates that the law has been ignored since the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, in 1717. It will not be contended that the Fraternity was an operative society in 1722 when the above Charge was approved by the Grand Lodge of England; on the contrary, it was as nearly of a speculative character as it is to-day. The burden of proof, therefore, rests with those who contend that the physical requirement belonged to the operative craft, and that it has no place in speculative Masonry. If the Grand Lodge of England can ignore one of the Old Charges, it can dispense with all. While the American Grand Lodges are at variance upon this question, they have, as a rule, followed more closely in the old ways than the mother Grand Lodge. The tenacity with which the American Grand Lodges have clung to the old work and traditions received from England in the days of provincial Grand Lodges, is strong proof that they have not departed very widely from the landmarks which the elders set up for their guidance. While such has been the case heretofore, there is too much of a growing disposition nowadays, in some of our Grand Lodges, to pattern after modern secret organizations, with which many members thereof doubtless have "entangling alliances," and which connections seem to distort their judgment and obscure their vision in all matters concerning old Masonic usages and customs. It therefore behooves all true Masons to guard vigilantly the structure of the centuries, and to see that none of its foundation stones are disturbed.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

There is no more disintegrating factor in the Masonic Fraternity to-day than this ever recurring question of non-payment of dues. Like Banquo's ghost, it walks the earth but with a predilection for the Masonic pavement. If its shadowy and disturbing presence is ever effectually

laid, it will be when Masons return to more pacific ways in dealing with those who are found to be in conspicuous evidence on the debit side of the Lodge ledger.

That all punitive legislation by American Grand Lodges has thus far proved a failure, is easily shown by a reference to the annual statistics. Turning to those published in connection with this report, it will be found that out of a total membership in the United States and British America, of 815,018, the suspensions for non-payment of dues in one year reached 19,177. The suspensions for the same cause were in preceding years, as follows: 1895, 15,052; 1896, 17,944; 1897, 18,933. During the same years the suspensions and expulsions for Masonic crimes were respectively 754, 776, 832 and 819. So far as deprivation of Lodge rights and privileges are concerned, the unfortunate and impecunious brother is as great a sufferer as the criminal during the period of exclusion, his only advantage being in the matter of restoration. And so we might go on dilating upon this vexed question, as we have sometimes done in former reports, but we propose to confine ourselves to a few of its more important phases.

It has been the prolific cause of placing without our portals a vast army whose proportions are said to equal those who are within. While this is somewhat of an exaggeration, it is uncomfortably near the truth if it could be accurately ascertained. It is not pleasant to contemplate the spectacle of 19,000 members turned adrift annually for the non-payment of dues, and we believe milder measures would show a very material decrease in the above figures. A return to the old practice of simply dropping from the roll, without trial, those delinquent for two years, and permitting them to reinstate themselves upon payment of dues, would obviate much of the difficulty now experienced in dealing with this question. Certain it is that the odious language in notice or summons "to appear and show cause," which is none other than "to appear and show poverty," would no longer obtain, and with it would disappear bitterness of heart, wounded pride and intense animosity against the Fraternity for unjust treatment. In the slang, yet expressive language of the day, a person who is able and won't pay his debts, is called a "dead beat." Now, the vast numbers suspended for non-payment of dues in recent

years are either "dead beats" or they are not. If not, then the Fraternity has committed a great injustice. If they are, then our Committees on Character are at fault, and have failed to properly discharge their duties. In some Jurisdictions they are required to report answers to certain categorical questions. We suggest that the question: "Does he pay his debts?" should be added hereafter, as a safeguard against "dead beat" material which seems to be crowding into the gates of the Temple in such overwhelming numbers, if the advocates of strenuous measures are to be believed.

A Past Grand Master of New Jersey, as narrated in this report, sounds a warning note when he asserts that nine-tenths of those stricken off in that Jurisdiction during the last ten years were of that character. He advocates a severer penalty and doubtless thinks "hanging" would be too good for them! But, seriously, it is time to return to the old Masonic methods of persuasion, leniency and fair treatment. We believe there will be better results achieved from such a course than from the severe disciplinary measures which have been engrafted upon Masonry. At all events, it is worth the experiment, since the present situation could not be much worse.

The general outlook for Masonry is most promising, and in nearly every Grand Jurisdiction there has been a numerical increase. The erection of costly homes and asylums still continues while permanent charity funds are being accumulated in Jurisdictions which look with greater favor upon the direct application of relief through regular channels.

In Grand Lodges which held sessions when the war with Spain was in progress, the most lofty sentiments of patriotism found expression, while large numbers of the brethren, from Past Grand Masters to humble craftsmen, responded to the call of their country and went to the front, in this respect emulating their brethren of revolutionary fame, and giving renewed emphasis to the fact that patriotism is one of the distinguishing virtues of the Craft.

Since our last Report some of the most widely known writers of the guild have ceased their earthly labors, among whom we recall the names of Brothers John Q. A. Fellows, of Louisiana; Palmer J. Pillans, of Alabama;

William F. Drinkard, of Virginia, and Charles C. Stevenson, of Idaho. The best years of their lives were devoted to this service, and their works are a priceless legacy to the Craft.

“Ah brothers, who have gone before
Across the silent sea
Remembered still for evermore,
We raise our song to thee.”

For the generous treatment received at the hands of our fellow reporters, we tender our grateful thanks, and most heartily reciprocate their continued expressions of good will.

Fraternally submitted,
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 Belson, Richard W. S.
 Berkey, John M.
 Billings, George N.
 Billings, Robert
 Birney, Frank L.
 Bleibel, Charles
 Bockfinger, Philip L.
 Bogue, Luman M.
 Bond, William

Bonesteel, Samuel A.
 Bonynge, Robert W.
 Bowen, Benjamin F.
 Bovee, Eugene C.
 Bradbury, Charles F.
 Bradbury, Cotton C.
 Brevick, Board A.
 Bright, William H.
 Brines, William E.
 Brooks, Charles D.
 Brown, J. Sidney
 Brown, J. Sherman
 Brownell, Al W.
 Burgdorf, Charles A.
 Burlingame, Eugene E.

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- Butler, Oliver P. M.
 Came, Virgil M.
 Campbell, Charles M.
 Campbell, Donald W.
 Campbell, John
 Cardwell, George R.
 Carney, John C.
 Carroll, Edward J.
 Carruthers, Samuel S.
 Carstarphen, Oney
 Case, Austin G.
 Cassell, Robert T.
 Cassell, William J.
 Cathcart, Thomas L.
 Chandler, Russell
 Charles, John Q.
 Charlot, Alphonse C.
 Chase, Theophilus C.
 Christen, William
 Chrysler, Charles B.
 Clark, Edward E.
 Clark, John H.
 Clark, William
 Clarke, Clarence J.
 Clayton, George S.
 Cleaveland, John R.
 Cline, Lynn S.
 Clinton, Charles M.
 Collier, George M.
 Collins, Edward H.
 Conant, Eugene F.
 Cook, David J.
 Cool, Walter McD.
 Cooper, Cyrus E.
 Cooper, Edward R.
 Cooper, William A. L.
 Cooper, William H.
 Cooper, Willis J.
 Cornforth, Joseph T.
 Cornwall, William T.
 Craig, William B.
 Cranston, Earl M.
 Crater, George E.
 Crater, William H.
 Croskey, Albert B.
 Culton, John J.
 Curtis, Rodney
 Cutler, Herbert J.
 Cutshaw, Leonard
 Dautremont, John L.
 Dale, William W.
 Dane, George
 Davenport, William M.
 Davey, John
 Davidson, David
 Dayton, William L.
 DeHuy, Bernard H.
 Desjardins, Bernard
 Dickson, Harry C.
 Dillabaugh, John
 Donnelly, Charles
 Doud, A. Lea
 Dougan, David H.
 Downing, Jacob
 Dowson, Henry
 Drescher, John F.
 Duggan, George
 Durbin, Edward A.
 Durbin, Levi T.
 Durkee, Lafayette
 Eaton, Cyrus B.
 Einfeldt, Charles M.
 Elbert, Samuel H.
 Elder, Henry G.
 Elliott, Carl F.
 Ellis, Benjamin
 Emery, Willis
 Erdman, Otto A.
 Erdman, Fred C.
 Erwin, Joseph M.
 Evans, Noah H.
 Evans, J. Frank
 Everitt, Charles M.
 Ewen, William W.
 Ewing, Samuel
 Fairall, Charles H.
 Falke, Henry
 Falkinburg, Eugene E.
 Farish, John B.
 Fassett, Joseph W.
 Felker, William B.
 Ferguson, Daniel B.
 Ferguson, Charles A.
 Finehout, Ellsha M.
 Flanders, Leonard H.
 Fletcher, Donald
 Ford, Charles M.
 Fowler, William E.
 France, Lewis B.
 France, Talbott H.
 Franklin, Nelson
 Fraser, Francis
 Fraser, John J.
 Frederick, Almon P.
 French, Selden M.
 Frost, Henry C.
 Furey, Charles L.
 Galr, Peter I.
 Garvey, James T., Jr.
 Gault, John
 Gifford, William I.
 Gillette, Andrew W.
 Gird, Christopher C.
 Gleason, Jason A.
 Goudy, Frank C.
 Gove, Aaron
 Grafton, William H.
 Graham, David B.
 Graham, John W.
 Graham, Frank C.
 Graham, James A. F.
 Green, Charles O.
 Greene, John K.
 Greenlee, Lewis C.
 Greenlee, William E.
 Hagar, Clarence E.
 Hall, Frank
 Hall, Fred F.
 Hall, Joshua P.
 Hall, William W.
 Hamilton, George A.
 Hamilton, William F.
 Hampton, James W.
 Hard, Frank J.
 Hardy, Charles W.
 Hardy, Solomon B.
 Harris, Arthur C.
 Harris, William J.
 Hart, Joseph W.
 Hartman, Henry
 Hartung, George J.
 Hartz, Charles C.
 Hattenbach, Michael
 Hayden, William Penn
 Heckendorf, Edward G.
 Henry, George
 Hickman, William H.
 Hicks, James R.
 Higgin, Albert
 Higgin, Frederick G.
 Hill, William C.
 Hitchcock, William D.
 Hocking, John
 Hoffer, John G.
 Hogle, Austin W.
 Holmberg, John A.
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 Huff, John W.
 Huntington, Glen W.
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- Hussander, George H.
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 Jennings, D. Homer
 Johnson, Charles M.
 Johnson, Christian
 Johnson, James
 Johnson, Peter C.
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 Jones, John W.
 Jones, William F.
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 Kellogg, George A.
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 Killen, Bernard C.
 Kille, Isaac L.
 Kimball, George D.
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 King, Joel Barnes
 Kinport, Jesse E.
 Knifton, George H.
 Kohlman, Louis X.
 Kountze, Charles B.
 Krueger, Fred H. C.
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 Lehman, Edward
 Leiff, Joseph
 Leimer, Charles F.
 Letts, Charles J.
 Lewington, Fred
 Lewis, John H.
 Light, Edward B.
 Lighthall, Albert C.
 Lillyblade, August
 Lipp, Augustus
 Lipscomb, Thomas W.
 Lloyd, David
 Londoner, Julius
 Lord, Frank J.
 Lyon, Locke L.
 Lyon, William F. M.
 McCarty, Andrew J.
 McClelland, Tom E.
 McCormick, Samuel B.
 McGill, Patrick J.
 McLauthlin, Herbert W.
 Mack, Frederick
 Mack, Milton H.
 Madden, Samuel C.
 Malone, Booth M.
 Marfell, Hiram
 Markham, Joseph T.
 Martin, John H.
 Marx, Julius
 Meek, Leonard B.
 Merriam, Harry C.
 Merrill, Nathan C.
 Meyer, Ferdinand
 Middaugh, Asa F.
 Mignolet, John
 Miles, William J.
 Miller, Byron L.
 Miller, Daniel E.
 Miller, Dennell E.
 Miller, Thomas H.
 Miller, William Braxton
 Millésou, Elisha
 Moore, William H.
 Morgan, Henry S.
 Morgan, James
 Morris, Walter M.
 Morrison, John H.
 Morrison, Thomas J.
 Murch, George H.
 Musgrove, Charles F.
 Myers, Julius A.
 Nance, Fred W.
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 Nettleton, Timothy S.
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 Niederlitz, Joseph D.
 Nolds, Elisha J.
 Norris, George C.
 Norton, Samuel B.
 Nye, Willis N.
 O'Brian, Peter
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 Olds, Charles D.
 Oliver, Richard P.
 Ordway, Leonard S.
 Orvis, Joel W.
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 Parker, Edward B.
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 Parkhurst, Lemuel W.
 Park, Edwin H.
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 Patterson, Thomas M.
 Patton, Thomas J.
 Patton, William
 Peirce, William D.
 Pellenz, John P.
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 Pennock, Homer
 Perkins, Isaac B.
 Perry, John W.
 Peterson, Peter J.
 Phelps, Ed P.
 Phillips, Homer S.
 Phillips, J. Bevan
 Phillips, Richard
 Pierce, James R.
 Pierce, John
 Pierson, Robert K.
 Piper, William B.
 Pitzer, Henry L.
 Pochin, Joseph L.
 Potter, Charles A.
 Powell, Thomas R.
 Powers, Charles A.
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 Ptacek, Albert F.
 Quinn, William W.
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 Reed, Egbert W.
 Reilly, Charles J.
 Renshaw, James
 Reynolds, James W.
 Rhoads, Alonzo G.
 Rhoads, Harry F.
 Rice, Almon A.
 Richards, William W.
 Richardson, Hamlet F.
 Riddell, Phil H.
 Rider, Hiram C.
 Robertson, Nathaniel
 Robinson, Ewing
 Robinson, William F.
 Roe, Robert S.
 Roesch, Frank P.
 Rogers, Berias W.
 Rogers, Edmund J. A.
 Rogers, Ralph
 Root, George H.
 Roney, Frank B.
 Rothwell, William J.
 Routt, John L.
 Russell, Elisha F.
 Ryder, Andrew
 Sanford, George H.

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Scattergood, Israel M.	Steinmetz, William D.	Weaver, George L.
Schmidt, E. Alfred	Stenhouse, James	Weaver, Joseph L.
Schmidt, Fred J.	Stephens, William L.	Weber, Louis
Scholtz, Edmund L.	Stevens, Ralph E.	Well, Solomon
Scobey, Orlando B.	Stewart, Oscar D.	Welby, Arthur E.
Scott, George H.	Stewart, Ralph W.	Welch, Albert L.
Scott, Francis M.	Stover, George H.	Wells, William S.
Sechrist, Albert	Strickler, James M.	Westhaver, James B.
Shattuck, Orville F.	Suiter, Mordecai P.	Wheatley, Edward L.
Shearer, James	Sutton, John C.	Wheeler, Byron A.
Shears, Thomas E.	Sutton, Roland	White, William A.
Shelton, Churchill T.	Sykes, Fred W.	Whitford, Greeley W.
Shepard, Samuel C.	Taggart, Charles D.	Whittemore, Oliver A.
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Skinner, Charles H.	Tanquary, Nathan Q.	Wilder, Asa
Slater, George G.	Tausen, Robert T.	Williams, Frederick A.
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Small, James S.	Tate, Daniel W. W.	Williams, Ira
Smedley, William	Terriberry, William J.	Willoughby, Ed A.
Smith, Alfred J.	Terry, Arthur L.	Wilson, Andrew D.
Smith, Charles C.	Terry, Pardon W.	Wilson, Charles F.
Smith, Charles E.	Thomas, Harlan	Wilson, William A.
Smith, Charles J.	Thompson, Charles L.	Wilson, William J.
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Smith, Irving G.	Todd, William D.	Winter, Allison T.
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Smith, Louis S.	Tufford, Walter H.	Wistrom, Samuel W.
Smith, Pierce T.	Turner, Lucius A.	Witter, Daniel
Smith, Roland D.	Tynon, James S.	Wollaston, Theodore
Snyder, George R.	Uzzell, Thomas A.	Wood, Francis G.
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Spalding, Frank B.	Vaille, Uplide	Woodbury, Samuel S.
Spalding, John F.	Vosburgh, Nathan O.	Wright, George W.
Spaulding, Leland D.	Wagner, Andrew J.	Zeagler, John W.
Spencer, Henry P.	Wald, Orin C.	Zeitler, Charles
Stanwood, Edwin L.	Waller, Thomas M.	Zinn, Solomon
Stapleton, George L.	Walley, John J.	Zint, George W.
Starbuck, Nathan H.	Warren, George T.	Zirkle, Homer W.
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BLACK HAWK, GILPIN COUNTY.

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 Chatfield, Norman
 Clark, Eugene E.
 Donald, Wm.
 Dunstone, Thomas
 Fullerton, Wm.
 Fick, Wm. F.
 Grutzmacher, A. F.
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 Harlan, John
 Holbrook, Preston
 Hanson, N. C.
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 Key, John
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 Lowell, B. F.
 Morgan, Walter
 Maugham, W. H.
 McLaughlin, Wm.

McCall, C.
 Nelson, H. P.
 Orahood, H. M.
 Purse, John T.
 Powers, John H.
 Rudolph, John B.
 Rudolph, Wm. F.
 Rudolph, Charles H.
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 Withrow, Chase

WASHINGTON LODGE No. 12.

GEORGETOWN, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.

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 James Griffin, J. S.
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 Buechner, Gustave
 Buttler, Wm. H.
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 Christie, Wm. H.
 Cohen, Louis
 Carlson, John L.
 Cornish, Thomas
 Coster, John A.
 Czarnowsky, Henry
 Cliff, William N.
 Catren, Benj. C.
 Dailey, James M.
 Desch, C. S.
 Ellis, William
 Fairley, Thomas
 Fillius, Jacob
 Fillius, John
 Flemming, William H.

Gleason, Carlton T.
 Gay, James John
 Goetz, Valentine
 Garrett, James T.
 Hanson, Conrad
 Hansen, Chris
 Hancock, William, Jr.
 Hancock, James B.
 Harris, Jesse
 Johnson, Fred S.
 Jones, Jesse P.
 Kelly, Samuel D.
 Lyons, Alva H.
 Landers, Milton H.
 Monti, Joshua
 Murdock, Albert G.
 McGarvie, John
 Meyers, David

Mills, George A.
 Nelson, Albert
 Phillips, John M.
 Pollard, Adrian A.
 Roberts, Daniel
 Sargent, George L.
 Simmons, Theo F.
 Sites, George L.
 Slockett, Henry
 Smith, John
 Swanson, August
 Snetzer, Jacob
 Ware, William W.
 White, Absalom K.
 Wilson, David R.
 Woodward, David
 Ward, Jesse P.
 Williams, John H.

EL PASO LODGE No. 13.

COLORADO SPRINGS, EL PASO COUNTY.

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Robert Schwarz, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Ackerman, S. P.
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Audre, Morris V.
Armbruster, Fred. G.
Allward, H. C.
Allen, Edgar C.
Avery, J. H.
Adams, Andy
Avery, Green G.
Arnold, Clarence R.
Bott, Anthony
Buzzard, S. M.
Bealle, Jno. N.
Barnes, Jas. P.
Boyd, A. H.
Bonnett, Wm. H.
Bates, W. H.
Banning, Wm.
Brinley, M. D.
Best, Wm.
Britton, Earnest
Beattie, Geo. N.
Bayne, A. J.
Blash, Gordon B.
Burlew, Walter
Bernard, S. S.
Bennett, D. H.
Batty, E. E.
Bates, Lewis N.
Brooks, Paul E.
Beach, Walter P.
Bramlet, Robt. C.
Buchman, Otto E.
Bigelow, Gilbert N.
Beeson, E. B.
Brodie, Lewi
Courter, Jno.
Chapman, John
Conger, C. W.
Carrington, E. E.

Cox, E. W.
Carmichael, Edw.
Campbell, Wm. A.
Cohen, E. S.
Christopher, D. A.
Coffey, J. W.
Coleman, Joseph E.
Calloway, T. J.
Christopher, W. T.
Carnahan, W. C.
Cook, W. L.
Cathcart, D. P.
Callahan, P. L.
Clark, Chas. E.
Daw, F. E.
Dickerman, A. L.
Davey, Will
Dwinnell, L. E.
Dozier, Joseph
DeCoursey, M. L.
Davis, W. A.
De La Vergne, Geo.
Daughty, Jno. W.
Duncan, James C.
Dickinson, O. M.
DuRee, Squire I.
Davie, Robert P.
Donnelly, P. L.
Eaton, E. J.
Eaton, Benj. P.
Estill, J. F.
Epperson, R. S.
Edmondson, G. M.
Eubanks, J. J.
Ellis, W. F., Jr.
Finley, Robert P.
France, Matt
Frost, Edw. W.
Fuller, H. A.
Fife, Jno. W.

Fawler, Saml. L.
Fryhoeffler, Wm. E.
Funk, Henry N.
Fehringer, Adolph
Fraker, Chas. F.
Forbes, Jas. E.
Giddings, E. W., Jr.
Guire, D. C.
Gaudy, W. H.
Gerhardt, Paul
Gough, Thos.
Gale, Sam. L.
Grover, B. B.
Gray, Geo. H.
Gardner, Geo.
Goetchlines, A. M.
Guteman, F. L.
Greenland, J. F.
Gunnell, A. T.
Grove, C. D.
Howbert, Irving
Horn, Thos. G.
House, Augustus
Himebaugh, J. A.
Hoagland, W. H.
Hughes, Thos.
Houck, A. L.
Holmes, Geo. F.
Hull, Jas. H.
Henry, O. E.
Hext, Thos.
Henderson, R. L.
Hall, L.
Harden, Jno. M.
Hatfield, S. S.
Hillis, Wm.
Hughes, W. H.
Huffman, Thos.
Harris, Ira
Hemenway, Will

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| Hale, Moses T. | Miles, E. E. | Schmidt, Jacob |
| Hebbard, Wm. | Millen, J. M. | Smith, E. J. |
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| Hammond, Earl C. | Middagh, J. L. | Severy, James B. |
| Hemenway, O. E. | Middagh, P. W. | Stone, A. G. |
| Harris, Isaac S. | Morris, W. S. | Stum, J. W. |
| Hallett, W. H. | Maning, C. R. | Swope, C. H. |
| Hall, A. T. | Manley, Wm. J. | Sheldler, Wm. |
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| Howbert, Edgar | Mason, H. M. | Stevenson, Percy |
| Hilborn, A. M. | Nichols, W. S. | Stratton, W. S. |
| Harmonson, W. P. | Nichols, R. P. | Shimp, H. C. |
| Hubbard, L. D. | Nason, E. F. | Sheldler, L. G. |
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| Jones, Allen D. | Noxon, J. M. | Shannon, Fred P. |
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| Kern, J. W. | Pullin, S. J. | Tilton, W. F. |
| Kelley, A. W. | Parker, N. E. | Thomas, T. E. |
| Kittleman, Jno. G. | Perkins, F. A. | Thomas, Frank |
| Keith, F. M. | Peck, I. F. | Tittsworth, G. A. |
| Kimball, Rush. G. | Pearson, Chas. | Taylor, R. B. |
| Kennedy, Geo. D. | Robinson, F. E. | Turner, C. E. |
| Kime, Jas. | Reynolds, Jos. E. | Tucker, Beverly |
| Love, Edw. G. | Reed, W. H. | Taintor, R. F. |
| Lamb, H. W. | Roby, F. W. | Taintor, Roy |
| Lawton, A. L. | Robertson, D. B. | Taintor, Fred. O. |
| Leighton, Arthur | Reed, H. I. | Taintor, W. M. |
| Lawrence, Geo. W. | Robinson, J. R. | Thornburg, W. A. |
| Lincoln, Andrew J. | Reed, Raymond | Titus, Jerome |
| Latas, Jacob | Rice, D. H. | Tusler, Ralph |
| Leibert, M. S. | Rice, Wm. G. | Vaux, Geo. P. |
| Lawton, F. C. | Reed, V. Z. | Vishion, Judd |
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| Leavenworth, L. W. | Robinson, G. B. | Weir, J. A. |
| McShane, David | Rowell, Milo | Wolf, J. S. |
| McGuire, W. C. | Reeds, D. C. | Williams, Jno. |
| McCoy, W. R. | Reld, Robt. M. | Waters, F. J. |
| McCume, W. B. | Rickerson, O. E. | Wood, Will S. |
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| McDill, L. H. | Reddie, Jno. O. | Watson, H. A. |
| McCreery, R. L. | Smith, E. A. | Ward, W. T. |
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| McGregor, A. J. | Spielman, David | Waltman, M. V. B. |
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COLUMBIA LODGE No. 14.

BOULDER, BOULDER COUNTY.

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 Ameter, Jacob
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 Angove, C. E.
 Armstrong, H. F.
 Antrey, Edwd.
 Andrus, J. A. S.
 Allison, W. H.
 Arnett, W. D.
 Border, A. W.
 Banks, F. B.
 Bigger, R. A.
 Bentley, W. W.
 Bradfield, Z.
 Bresnahan, Ed.
 Brown, S. C.
 Budd, Sylvanus
 Burns, M. F.
 Burr, Ed. C.
 Border, S. B.
 Brown, Raymond
 Coan, Alonzo
 Carmack, T. K.
 Corson, W. A.
 Cullacott, J. J. F.
 Chambers, J. S.
 Church, J. L.
 Casaday, Harry
 Connell, John
 Carmack, J. T.
 Conley, J. H.
 Cook, C. C.
 Carruthers, W. A.
 Combs, G. W.
 Crouch, F. O.
 Caley, W. H.
 Cheney, Chas. H.
 Coulehan, Chas. E.

Clemens, J. E.
 Coulehan, R. E.
 Downer, S. S.
 Dodge, H. O.
 Davis, Chas.
 Develine, J. W.
 Davis, W. H.
 Dowd, J. S.
 Denman, Henry
 Dyer, W. C.
 Ellingham, J. J.
 Emerick, A. J.
 Edwards, B. V.
 Emmett, W. W.
 Euler, R. L.
 Euler, Ed. P.
 Empfield, A. F.
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 Fonda, Geo. F.
 Faurot, C. S.
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 Foy, D. N.
 Franks, W. E.
 Fishback, M.
 Green, Henry
 Gutterson, C. L.
 Grant, Donald
 Glessner, C. E.
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 Galusha, S. S.
 Hathaway, Mark
 Henry, Oren H.
 Harlan, F. J.
 Harmon, G. D.
 Heizelman, F.
 Hutchinson, D. J.
 Henry, A. T.
 Holstein, Geo. B.

Holt, M. J.
 Hinkle, J. P.
 Haffner, Jos.
 Hankins, J. C.
 Holbrook, C. M.
 Hult, Wm.
 Hayward, D. E.
 Hayward, D. A.
 Haskins, E. W.
 Hankins, E. E.
 Herman, Jno.
 Johnson, Seymour
 Jester, W. H.
 Johnston, W. J.
 Johnston, J. I.
 Johnson, T. C.
 Jester, John A.
 Johnston, Frank
 Jay, Manuel
 Kohler, F. W.
 Kerr, David
 Kline, Marcus
 Kneale, C. A.
 Kohler, F. W., Jr.
 Kimball, L. W.
 Knill, Thomas
 Knapp, Milburn
 Lawsha, C. B.
 Leyner, P. A.
 Loyd, Joseph
 Lester, J. E.
 Lockwood, Fred
 Lefoe, Frank
 Lake, Geo. E.
 Luxon, Joseph
 Lafferty, T. J.
 Metcalf, Eli P.
 Megorden, C. H.
 Maxwell, J. P.
 McCaslin, M. L.

Mead, Marcus S.
 Meyring, Henry
 Minks, Geo. W.
 McAllister, I. T.
 Metcalf, F. P.
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 Mulford, J. S.
 McCall, N. H.
 McIntosh, Lem.
 Monell, Ira F.
 Monell, Henry
 Macky, A. J.
 Madera, S. L.
 Mitchell, Fred
 McAllister, D. E.
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 McKenzie, N. D.
 McClure, H. B.
 McClure, G. A.
 Nichols, D. H.
 Nicholson, J. W.
 North, J. M.
 Owen, Thos. R.
 O'Connor, Tim.
 Oliver, Wm.
 Phillips, N. M.
 Poole, W. H.
 Pettengill, C. P.

Petrie, F. J.
 Parker, John H.
 Roberts, A. F.
 Robinson, D. A.
 Rogers, Platt
 Rowen, W. F.
 Robertson, G. B.
 Rosser, Wm.
 Russell, C. A.
 Ricketts, C.
 Rhyno, T. J.
 Rhyno, J. A.
 Southland, J. E.
 Sawdey, Edgar
 Smith, M. G.
 Samuels, H. C.
 Strasberger, M.
 Spencer, Chas. L.
 Schroeder, D.
 Safely, A. F.
 Stevens, R. W.
 Spates, W. L.
 Shires, Thomas
 Sutton, D. F.
 Seeley, W. L.
 Sanborn, C. W.
 Strock, B. G.

Saggan, John
 Sheldon, D. W.
 Sibley, N. D.
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 Titcomb, J. S.
 Thorne, S. J.
 Terry, W. R.
 Todd, C. D.
 Trezise, J. G.
 Trovillion, E. B.
 Wilder, Eugene
 Wise, Wm. D.
 Wood, Franklin P.
 Wilson, Geo. W.
 Whitney, Geo. H.
 Walker, Ed. S.
 Williams, Jno. T.
 White, W. W.
 Wilson, J. L.
 Washburn, H. E.
 Williams, J. H.
 Williams, J. C.
 Williams, W. J.
 Williamson, F. L.
 Wise, Chas. H.
 Wilson, T. V.
 Yates, Isaiah

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE No. 15.

CANON CITY, FREMONT COUNTY.

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 Butler, Edward A.
 Bethel, George W.
 Bradbury, Daniel A.
 Bailey, Morton S.
 Banta, Charles W.

Bryant, Charles E.
 Black, Ellis R.
 Baker, Samuel
 Carrier, Frank N.
 Craven, Ned C.
 Craven, Thomas H.
 Cortlow, Joseph
 Cassedy, George R.
 Calderhead, James
 Collins, Charles M.
 Clapp, Seth A.
 Chase, R. A.

Dufer, Charles E.
 Davis, Llewelyn
 Davis, Alonzo H.
 Dryden, Adam
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 Durfee, Alfred
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 Ellsworth, Frank M.
 Eldred, L. E.
 Ford, Allen E.
 Ferguson, George

Gravestock, John	McClure, William H.	Rockafellow, George F.
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Gravestock, Henry T.	Mitchell, George M.	Shaffer, Benjamin F.
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Gibson, David E.	Miller, Joseph N.	Salmon, Elijah
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Hayes, Philip	McKillop, Iman C.	Sundmacher, Charles H.
Hyde, James L.	Milsom, Joseph W.	Sell, Franz
Hopkins, James R.	Miller, Hiram J.	Smith, Frank L.
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Hill, Zeph T.	Munroe, Adam S.	Simon, Ernest
Harding, Theodore M.	Nikirk, Clyde G.	Stover, W. H.
Hedges, Joseph	Nichols, Sylvester S.	Stewart, Robert C.
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Helm, Asher	Phillips, George T.	Shaver, Benjamin
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Hasbrouck, James E.	Pattee, David C.	Trout, William H.
Johnson, William E.	Palmer, Hunter	Towler, Alphonso T.
Jones, Benjamin F.	Peabody, Willie H.	Tanner, G. R.
Jameson, Allen	Plummer, John	Willey, Abe A.
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Kellenberger, George H.	Rockafellow, Benjamin	F. Witcher, T.
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PUEBLO LODGE No. 17.

PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

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| Allen, Jackson P. | Fariss, John R. | Porterfield, Chas. I. |
| Allen, James | Gallup, Samuel C. | Ragland, James A. |
| Anderson, Joseph W. | Gartley, W. Perry | Ranahan, Charles J. |
| Anderson, William H. | Gaunt, Richard H. | Reese, Charles A. |
| Baker, Andrew J. | Gerry, Melvin B. | Reeve, Bishop D. V. |
| Bartlett, Henry W. | Gilbert, George | Reno, Sam F. |
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| Berry, Julius | Gill, George W. | Salisbury, George |
| Biggs, James Henry | Grant, Angus A. | Savard, Peter |
| Blair, Samuel D. | Hart, Cornelius J. | Shepard, J. V. |
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| Brinker, N. L. | Hart, Lewis N. | Smith, James Edward |
| Brown, Julius D. | Heath, Ernest A. | Smith, Oscar G. |
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| Burnam, Charles W. | Hobson, George H. | Spratlen, Louie F. |
| Campbell, William O. | Hoy, Roland | Smille, Frank G. |
| Cherrington, Charles E. | Johnson, Frank D. | Stanhope, Luther H. |
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| Clucas, Hugh E. | Kessler, Charles W. | Stone, George L. |
| Colvin, Perry | Koerner, Edward | Stoufer, Fred H. |
| Cooper, E. H. | Kohn, Max | Studzinski, Michael |
| Cox, Jackson S. | Lovern, James | Taylor, Thomas |
| Crow, John H. | Marbourg, E. M. | Thatcher, Mahlon D. |
| Culver, W. W., Jr. | Mallory, H. E. | Thombs, Patrick R. |
| Depp, Joseph H. | Marlow, Barney J. | Tolman, Charles |
| DuPuy, Henry B. | Maxson, William | Trimble, Samuel D. |
| DeRemer, James R. | Miller, John D. | Trine, Zerego V. |
| Dorland, Walter L. | Miller, Raymond | Walter, Rudolph J. |
| Dotson, Peter T. | Mondabaugh, Geo. W. | Wells, Charles H. |
| Downen, Thomas J. | Morse, Henry M. | Wells, Frank A. |
| Drake, Edwin L. | Morton, Albert M. | Wheeler, Jordan |
| Dunbaugh, Frank M. | Murray, Franklin | Williford, George W. |
| Dunbaugh, George J. | McMurray, Wm. F. | Wilson, Paul |
| Erdman, Charles | Nash, Herman W. | Windle, J. Samuel |
| Erdman, Henry | Newton, Whitney | Woodard, Elmer E. |
| Fairfax, Willis T. | Ormston, Thomas | Zelger, Thomas R. |
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| Fitch, Michael H. | | |

COLLINS LODGE No. 19.

FORT COLLINS, LARIMER COUNTY.

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 Anderson, Peter
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 Armstrong, Andrew
 Andrews, Chas. B.
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 Abbott, Frank D.
 Annis, Frank J.
 Amos, Daniel W.
 Burgardt, Alfred H.
 Bailey, George W.
 Brazil, Frank F.
 Barry, Alexander
 Blackmer, Adrian
 Barnes, William
 Beers, John
 Bear, John P.
 Bee, John
 Bennett, Isaac W.
 Bennett, Egbert J.
 Beach, Jerry T.
 Beals, John B.
 Bristol, Judson H.
 Birdsall, Sylvester H.
 Boughton, Jay H.
 Brown, James A.
 Bosworth, William P.
 Buck, Christian M.
 Buffam, George W.
 Buffam, George H.
 Budrow, James T.
 Burch, John H.
 Bennett, F. O.
 Barnes, Charles T.
 Beach, Charles W.
 Clark, Saml. E.
 Clinton, John C.
 Cuthbertson, James

Campbell, John F.
 Clark, Logan
 Davy, Thomas H.
 Day, Isaac
 Downey, J. W.
 Dougherty, D. E.
 Doolittle, Emery E.
 Dunn, A. H.
 Evans, James C.
 Evans, William C.
 Edwards, Alfred A.
 Ellis, Alston
 Gage, Bertram A.
 Giddings, Leander
 Garbutt, Edward N.
 Garbutt, H. Irving
 Galbraith, David R.
 Garnick, Thomas
 Greiner, Jackson M.
 Giddings, George
 Gilbertson, Charles H.
 Garbutt, Neut C.
 Gilkison, Charles J.
 Greenacre, Allen P.
 Hanna, John C.
 Handy, Harry P.
 Helgersen, Ole
 Hamilton, Samuel T.
 Hall, William
 Henderson, John W.
 Hice, Albert H.
 Hoag, Addison N.
 Hottel, Andrew J.
 Hottel, Isaac W.
 Horner, Asa M.
 Humphrey, Harry D.
 Hall, Edward H.
 Keyes, Charles F.
 Kibler, Francis
 Lawrence, J. W.

Lane, Charles D.
 Linn, Peter
 Learnard, Porter D.
 Loveland, Revilo
 Learnard, Perry B.
 Lee, Ethan A.
 Lee, Harry
 Love, Eph
 Love, Robert P.
 Loomis, Abner
 Loomis, Guy E.
 Lindermeur, William, Jr.
 Lunn, John G.
 MacCallum, Kenneth, J.
 Mason, William S.
 McLean, Donald A.
 McGregor, Rob Roy
 McAudly, Jefferson
 Miller, Jacob W.
 Miller, Charles P.
 Miner, William B.
 McGinley, Andrew
 Montgomery, Thomas J.
 Mosman, William O.
 Moore, Samuel E.
 Moore, Lewis C.
 Metcalfe, William
 Newlon, Henry B.
 Powers, Daniel L.
 Parker, Charles V.
 Quinn, Thomas
 Ricketts, Phillander
 Robinson, Thomas M.
 Robertson, Thomas H.
 Rohling, August L.
 Roullard, Joel
 Ramer, John E.
 Stratton, Harris
 Starlin, Andrew J.
 Strauss, George R.

Seckner, Stephen H.	Stover, William C.	Vollintine, Thomas W.
Sherwood, Frederick W.	Schang, Quirin	Walsh, Robert
Stecker, Michael	Taft, Preston	Webster, Stewart
Secord, Courtland R.	Taylor, D. H.	Whedbie, Benjamin F.
Stover, Frank P.	Terry, Peter G.	Whitton, John
Simms, James M.	Tedmon, Boliver S.	Wills, Joseph R.
Smith, John Letford	Tedmon, Herbert E.	Whitcomb, Elias W.
Scott, Alexander W.	Tomlin, Albert B.	Wilson, William C.
Scott, George F.	Thomas, Nathaniel	Weaver, David A.
Scott, Fulton N. B.	Thomas, Frank N.	Woodward, Chas. N.
Schroeder, F. J.	Turk, William W.	Welch, L. Wilber
Silcott, William G.	Vandekarr, Aaron G.	Working, Daniel W.
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OCCIDENTAL LODGE No. 20.

GREELEY, WELD COUNTY.

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Armstrong, Richard	Dresser, William L.	Hall, Elbert B.
Adams, Oscar H.	Davis, Joel E.	Hitt, W. D.
Alcorn, John A.	Delbridge, William H.	Hallett, Samuel
Allen, William Potter	Durkee, Albert W.	Irons, John F.
Bogart, Edward T.	Eaton, Benjamin H.	Igo, Albert
Beetham, James	Freeman, James M.	Johnson, Bruce F.
Bennett, Alonzo D.	Fuller, Samuel G.	Johns, Rudolph H.
Brush, Jared L.	Flower, Harrison F.	James, J. John
Barber, James S.	Felton, George L.	Knowlton, Harry E.
Barber, Daniel H.	Garragues, James E.	Kelly, David
Beetham, Joseph W.	Gale, Jesse S.	Law, Harvey M.
Brisendine, I. L.	Goodan, John A.	Long, Lorenzo F.
Buzzell, Frank	Gates, Johnson	Lee, Harry W.
Camp, Charles	Gill, William H.	Moore, Joseph
Childs, Francis L.	Howard, Albert	Matteson, Menzo C.
Childs, William J.	Hall, Robert L.	Messinger, Francis C.
Cooper, Harry J.	Hilton, Benjamin W.	Mulford, Clarence H.
Carleton, Daniel H.	Hall, Niagara W.	Mayher, William
Congdon, B. E.	Huffsmith, Peter	Macy, Thomas G.
Crouter, Charles W.	Hotchkiss, William A.	Merrifield, Harrison
Cheeseman, N. F.	Harper, Brainard D.	McDonald, James H.
Dinsmore, Thomas H.	Hogarty, Michael J.	Miner, William A.
Dailey, Thomas H.	Hopper, William	Neill, Clarence T.
Davis, Arthur W.	Henderson, Milton P.	Neill, William M.

Pollock, William P.	Seeley, Joseph S.	Warner, Mark E.
Purdy, Sheldon R.	Shute, George M.	Willard, LeBaron
Plumb, Ovid	Smith, George C.	West, Henry T.
Pritchard, Robert W.	Singleton, Lawrence G.	Watson, Henry C.
Petrikín, John M. B.	Stimson, Thomas J.	Wolaver, Jacob M.
Petrikín, Will L.	Steel, Robert	Williams, Henry M.
Parker, Harvey D.	Smyser, Frank	Wheeler, Charles H.
Randolph, Calvin	Seem, Charles J.	Woodbury, Joseph A.
Ramsey, Allen	Shaw, Harry H.	Wyatt, Louis L.
Rogerson, Horatio B.	Taylor, John A.	Wyman, Horace L.
Reynolds, Hubert	Twombly, Hurd W.	Wallace, Robert K.
Roberts, Walter J.	Thompson, Edward A.	Williams, Charley
Rea, C. Howard	Talbot, Nathaniel H.	Wasley, William P.
Rugh, Christian	Underwood, Nathan L.	

WESTON LODGE No. 22.

LITTLETON, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

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Bemis, F. A.	Mitchell, A. B.	Pickett, C. M.
Barr, J. M.	Mackey, J. W.	Phillips, M. A.
Burtolette, John C.	McArthur, Hugh.	Shuckhart, F. W.
Brown, H. J.	Manhart, Christian	Van Deren, A. J.
Crawford, A. H.	Markle, J. B.	Wilder, G. C.
Curtis, H. H.	Stenart, G. F.	Wilson, W. G.
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ST. VRAIN LODGE No. 23.

LONGMONT, BOULDER COUNTY.

Communications.

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Barr, J. C.	Hall, I. F.	Smith, Winton
Burch, H. H.	Hertha, John	Stiles, H. C.
Brown, G. W.	Herron, O. F.	Stepp, T. O.
Balley, J. C.	Henderson, W. S.	Sebern, Geo. S.
Butler, Stephen	Hamlin, O. T.	Slifer, E. G.
Blora, W. R.	Herron, I. L.	Stockton, T. R.
Belcher, Freeman	Henderson, A. M.	Stults, J. H.
Butler, James	Hockingburger, Wm.	Small, Mage
Butler, Thomas	Hirchfield, C. H.	Shoemaker, F. J.
Baker, C. H.	Holverhoud, Fred.	Schey, Solomon
Bossout, J. N.	Hartman, F. E.	Stuerwald, L. F.
Beckwith, E. F., Jr.	Hines, Wm.	Secor, F. P.
Beckwith, Fenton S.	Hartman, John	Spencer, F. C.
Ellis, E. Z.	Jaynes, S. D.	Secor, M. G.
Bardill, Conrad	Johnston, T. F.	St. Clair, Jas. A.
Brown, C. M.	Johnson, Guy	Stephens, H. C.
Coffman, E. J.	Johnson, Carl	Service, Saml.
Coffman, J. D.	King, Wm.	Snnemngton, John
Carr, B. L.	King, A. G.	Sweeney, E. E.
Coburn, W. T.	Kistler, Chas.	Secor, Willard F.
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Callehan, T. M.	Lyner, J. Geo.	Tarr, W. A. L.
Downer, F. M.	McCaslin, W. L.	Thorn, Geo. H.
Dedrich, Z. H.	McClory, T. A.	White, Eben
Davis, T. J.	Miner, H. M.	Webster, Geo.
Dell, Geo. T.	Miller, G. C.	Weist, Sard
Ely, M. J.	Manners, Harvey	Wilson, J. L.
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Entwestle, Thos.	Newnan, E. B.	Warner, W. A.
Gardner, Chas.	Nelson, Peter	Webb, C. O.
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DORIC LODGE No. 25.

FAIRPLAY, PARK COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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 Clayson, A. A.
 Cohen, Joseph
 Crosier, Edwin
 Dearing, W. H.
 Deering, Ruric
 Duffy, Thos. W.
 Dudley, Geo. P.
 Doughty, Chas.
 Hall, Assyria
 Hill, Chas. L.
 Hayden, Samuel
 Hunter, Wm. H.

Herbert, Wm. F.
 Hall, Lent
 Ifinger, William
 Jones, Wm. H.
 King, A. J.
 Kuhn, John M.
 Laxton, Thos.
 Lechner, Geo. W.
 Link, James A.
 Link, John M.
 Lord, John Cooper
 Murrow, J. H. B.
 Mills, Sydenham
 Miller, David
 Mahany, M. A.

Mecklenburg, Morris
 McMannus, Peter
 McKee, Robert G.
 Ohara, Michael H.
 Olson, John
 Powless, Wm. H.
 Phelps, Chas. L.
 Passmore, F. F.
 Rhodus, J. W.
 Shidler, A. W.
 Staples, Harris
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IDAHO SPRINGS LODGE No. 26.

IDAHO SPRINGS, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

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 Belmore, Oscar
 Comstock, Allen R.
 Comer, Wm. S.
 Chapman, Jno.
 Chester, Joseph E.
 Craze, Josiah M.
 Chinn, Howard T.
 Chinn, Cuthbert H.
 Chinn, Richd. P.
 Dingwall, Andrew
 Dixon, Thos. C.
 Ellis, David

Gartz, Axel
 Hancock, Wm.
 Horn, Asa J.
 Huddleston, Wm.
 Hiser, Lee
 Hancock, Wm. J.
 Jackson, Jno. M.
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 Mayes, Philetus R.
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 McAskill, Danl. A.
 Moscript, Elwood M.
 Morgan, Wm.
 Morgan, Thos.
 Mitchell, Wm.
 Miller, Frank A.
 Paul, Henry
 Patten, Geo. A.
 Plummer, Chas. I.

Roberts, Jno. G.
 Roberts, Lewis L.
 Roberts, David R.
 Rand, Arthur J.
 Sherwin, Jno. J.
 Straub, Alb. E.
 Townsend, Willard L.
 Theobold, Peter
 Thorsen, Peder L.
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 Towle, Frank
 Ulrich, Fred.
 Vivian, Geo. G.
 Weeks, Jas. G.
 Wellington, Thos.
 Williams, Hunter
 Whyte, Wm.
 Wilkins, Jno. A.

HUERFANO LODGE No. 27.**WALSENBURG, HUERFANO COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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Fred. O. Roof, S. D.
 Moris R. Woodward, J. D.
 Moritz Bernstein, S. S.
 James Allison, J. S.
 Isaac Dalley, Tiler.

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Allison, John
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 Cooper, Chas. M.
 Drury, James
 Elmore, George
 Eckers, Samuel
 Forhan, T. J.
 French, Allan
 Grantham, Thos.
 Gayton, Joseph
 Hamilton, W. B.
 Hoffman, J.
 Harnes, Wm. L.
 Hill, Josiah M.

Hayden, Chas.
 Johnstone, W. C.
 Jones, Theo. R.
 Kearns, John P.
 Kearns, Wm. A.
 Kunert, Oscar
 Levy, Alex
 Lawther, Rodney T.
 Lawther, Thomas
 Lawther, Frank
 McGuire, J. S.
 Mallon, Wm.
 McKean, Chas. B.
 McCaskill, Alex
 McGuire, C. M.
 McCartney, John
 Patterson, J. D.
 Pryor, A. M.

Provance, J. B.
 Quillian, A. H.
 Russell, Joseph
 Schulze, Henry
 Seabring, A. F.
 Sproull, Thomas
 Sharp, W. T.
 Snedden, Henry
 Sletcher, James M.
 Swain, W. P.
 Shaeffer, P. C.
 Thompson, W. P.
 Unfug, Chas. O.
 Unfug, Fred.
 Vasquez, Hiram
 Walsen, Fred
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LAS ANIMAS LODGE No. 28.**TRINIDAD, LAS ANIMAS COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

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 Burgess, W.
 Brown, S. V. B.
 Bridge, J. L.
 Brown, H. E.
 Bateman, G. C.

Bell, G. W.
 Beshoar, M.
 Blernbaum, H.
 Brown, H. B.
 Cornell, G. B.
 Clark, O. T.
 Collier, T. B.
 Callaway, D. R.

Collins, W. A.
 Carmichael, S.
 Crouch, J. R.
 Cunningham, H. B.
 Cook, R. G.
 Carmichael, A. K.
 Cole, F. E.
 Cornwall, W. F.

Ditchburn, Jas.
 Davis, Jos.
 Davis, D. C.
 Dayton, D. F.
 Eyssenhart, P.
 Elliott, S. C.
 Freirich, Wm.
 Funk, Z. E.
 Freudenthal, L.
 Fox, R. J.
 Gunter, J. C.
 Goodale, F. D.
 Garry, F. C.
 Gray, L. P.
 Grosso, P.
 Graybill, J. W.
 Hamer, T. L.
 Horn, L.
 Hawton, W.
 Harbinson, A. B.
 Hedges, W. K.
 Hendrickson, J.
 Hamerslough, R.
 Harrington, F. E.
 Ivers, G.
 Jaffa, Saml.
 Jaffa, S. H.
 Jones, W. W.
 Jamieson, J. G.
 Jones, J. S.
 James, G. W.

Johnson, L.
 Kirchgraber, J. F.
 Kennedy, A. C.
 Kahn, J. M.
 Levy, I.
 Leighton, H. W.
 Lenhart, M.
 Levy, B.
 Lawler, B. F.
 Lewis, Thos.
 Lake, Robt.
 Mansbach, Abe
 Moore, D. O.
 McEwan, Jno.
 Morgan, J. E.
 Mahin, W. M.
 Malgrem, A.
 McAllister, Jas.
 Mitchell, S. N.
 Mansbach, M.
 McDonald, J. A.
 Missiner, G. E.
 Meyers, Ed
 Milliken, A. W.
 Munroe, W. F.
 Matteson, B. J.
 Nigro, A.
 Nolan, P. H.
 Northcutt, J. G.
 Purrington, R. H.

Pearson, H. L.
 Peterson, A.
 Peters, W.
 Pollock, A.
 Peters, Jno.
 Richardson, C. A.
 Ramey, J. F.
 Robinson, W. H.
 Sandford, G. R.
 South, W. L.
 Shryock, J. W.
 Stracy, Geo.
 Savage, W. J.
 Smethers, W. R.
 Saylor, O. L.
 Smith, Jos.
 Stone, D. W.
 Simpson, D. M.
 Stanfill, T. J.
 Stone, A. L.
 Taylor, D. L.
 Thompson, D. G.
 Tweedle, W.
 Taylor, A.
 Waggoner, Thomas
 Wiley, A.
 Williams, Thos.
 Williamson, W. A.
 Wilder, F. W.
 Wilder, W. H.

KING SOLOMON LODGE No. 30.

LAS ANIMAS, BENT COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Bull, John W.
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 Comer, George
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 Dameron, Geo. M.
 Godwin, Thos. H.
 Haws, Wellington A.

Harry, Thos.
 Hart, James T.
 Hildebrann, Hy H.
 Jonas, James H.
 Jonas, J. S.
 Leland, Thos. L.
 McCauley, Marion R.
 Norwood, A. C.
 Norwood, T. C.
 Peterson, Abe
 Putnam, Frank S.

Rica, Oscar V.
 Sizer, Warren W.
 Smith, Oscar P.
 Towass, John R.
 Towass, Wm. A.
 Well, Jacob
 Wright, Silas G.
 Dwyer, Edward
 Lambright, A. M.
 Price, Mark B.

SOUTH PUEBLO LODGE No. 31.

PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Arnheiter, Leopold
 Andrews, Fred J.
 Alden, Walter C.
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 Banks, Horace N.
 Bachle, Roman
 Barkley, Henry
 Biancullo, Jos.
 Billington, Wm. H.
 Bruner, Richard J.
 Beatty, Wm. C.
 Baldwin, B. F.
 Black, Chas. A.
 Bishop, John F.
 Barber, Wm.
 Balcom, Wm. A.
 Bell, Herbert E.
 Benson, Frank P.
 Blackburn, John B.
 Baker, Wm. H.
 Crater, Gilbert
 Calkins, Frank W.
 Corwin, Richard W.
 Cox, Edward
 Craft, K. W.
 Cox, Charles
 Corkish, Robert, Jr.
 Donegan, John
 Divebliss, Jas. H.
 Davis, Weston T.
 DeJersey, John T.
 Danforth, A. H.
 Daniel, S. T.
 Davis, Will B.
 Doudna, John V.
 Duey, Alex.
 Dick, Jos. F.
 Dey, Willisford
 Ellenberg, C. J.

Evans, Barney
 Eyer, Nelson A.
 Ewell, Jas. D.
 Fisher, Albert T.
 Fugard, Geo.
 Frain, Luther S.
 Faucett, M. M.
 Funk, Christian L.
 Graham, R. J.
 Glatzell, Frank
 Glenn, E. C.
 Goettle, Chas. J.
 Grubb, Erastus P.
 George, Fred C.
 Glover, E. R.
 Gault, H. B.
 Hanna, Jos. P.
 Hollis, Wm. H.
 Hartman, W. L.
 Hudson, Robt. B.
 Humphrey, Wm. A.
 Hancock, Wm. W.
 Harpster, Geo. F.
 Hathaway, H. D.
 Hutchcraft, R. W.
 Henderson, B. F.
 Hughes, Nathan
 Hogg, Wm.
 Hall, Edward L.
 Jones, John M.
 Jones, Wm. A.
 Jones, Marzy V.
 Jewell, Jacob
 Jewell, Frank E.
 Kelker, John
 Ketner, John D.
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 King, Alex.
 Kinkle, Otto B.
 Klimmerling, Chas. E.
 Kaylor, Thos. B.

Lloyd, Ivor W.
 Lee, Chas. W.
 Lee, Wm. H.
 Loomis, Horace J.
 Mitchell, Thos.
 Martel, Jas. P.
 McCabe, Matthew
 McKee, John M.
 Mallaby, Oliver W.
 Marmaduke, C. V.
 Moses, Wm. A.
 Moses, Lincoln E.
 Macaulay, Hugh G.
 Mirick, Frank G.
 McConnell, Jas. A.
 McKay, J. S.
 McGinley, S. D.
 Miller, Chas. W.
 Moses, Arthur H.
 McClellan, Jas. S.
 Marshall, Clifton
 Middelkamp, Wm. A.
 Macy, J. E.
 Meeker, Josiah M.
 Olin, Ceylon E.
 Orman, Jas. B.
 Pochon, Jos. J.
 Pearson, John I.
 Paul, L. B.
 Porter, Phillip S.
 Petticrew, Theodore A.
 Parkhurst, L. A.
 Roegen, Anton
 Royal, Andrew
 Robinson, Jno. T.
 Robinson, Jas. H.
 Reese, Wm. L.
 Richards, C. W.
 Robbins, H. E.
 Rippey, Winfield S.
 Rees, Jos. R.

Shrock, Frank H.
 Schrontz, S. B.
 Scott, H. W.
 Seaver, Geo.
 Seffens, Ed.
 Strait, Lewis B.
 Stewart, F. H.
 Sleeper, John W.
 Shireman, John K.
 Shockey, Wm. L.
 Sheriff, Saml.
 Shoup, Howard M.
 Stafford, John A.
 Smith, Yealand
 Shultz, Jos.
 Simpson, Oscar

Sultz, Delbert M.
 Shubert, R. O.
 Sweeney, Wm. H.
 Tinkle, W. W.
 Tyler, John E.
 Thompson, Moses L.
 Teal, Augustus B.
 Thompson, Maurice
 Tasker, Jos.
 Valentine, Jos. R.
 Van Brunt, Wm.
 Wingett, Geo. W.
 Williams, Geo. A.
 Wilmunder, Robt.
 Wilson, D. M.

Wiley, Alex.
 Wilson, M. G.
 Walpole, Nimrod S.
 Williamson, H. A.
 Wieland, E. K.
 Wormley, Frederick P.
 Woodward, Amos S.
 Willock, Geo.
 Walk, Wm.
 West, Geo. F.
 Wilcoxson, J. A.
 White, Wm.
 Yohn, John M.
 Young, Wm.
 Zumbrum, M. M.

OLIVE BRANCH LODGE No. 32.

SAGUACHE, SAGUACHE COUNTY.

(Communications Saturday on or before full moon in each month.)

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 Bolton, J. W.
 Baker, George
 Clayton, E. B.
 Boughton, S. S.
 Gotthelf, Isaac
 Hazard, J. G.
 Hopkins, H. L.
 Hodding, S. W.

Hall, L. E.
 Hollmer, Chas.
 King, W. J.
 Kirkendall, Jay
 Kelley, Arthur
 Means, Horace
 Miller, C. N.
 McCree, P. M.
 MacDonald, T. B.
 Phillips, C. B.
 Parsons, J. H.
 Redman, J. H.
 Snyder, Wm.
 Shellabarger, A.

Sullivan, Wm.
 Schwanbeck, L. B.
 Saffell, Thos.
 Smith, J. E.
 Stow, J. S.
 Scott, Chas. S.
 Safford, E. S.
 Tarbell, Chas.
 Timney, B. J.
 Von Helmburg, H.
 White, Henry
 Warden, J. M.
 Walters, C. W.
 Wills, J. W.

SAN JUAN LODGE No. 33.**SILVERTON, SAN JUAN COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Bernard, Frank
 Clark, J. F.
 Close, Charles
 Crooke, John J.
 Cooper, C. A.
 Davis, D. R.
 Day, J. L.
 Dyson, James
 Duyckinck, Dudley
 Dick, Theo
 Doud, C. H.
 Davis, Hugh
 Firey, A. H.
 Graw, W. J.
 Gray, J. G.
 Glanville, John
 Grill, Ernest
 Gray, John

Grimes, W. W.
 Hodges, E. W.
 Hollingsworth, E. V.
 Hollis, R. W.
 Hinderer, F. H.
 Harrison, Patrick
 Hemphill, Geo.
 Hollis, C. D.
 Johnson, Chris
 Jones, Evan
 Johns, David
 Knight, John
 Klinger, L. A.
 Lundberg, Verner
 Mathews, Oliver
 Munroe, Wm.
 McBernie, Thos.
 Mason, David
 Moyle, Mathew
 Meldrum, Henry
 McCartney, R. J.
 Maxfield, O. P.
 Moltque, F. J.
 Murrish, Wm.

Neely, Robert
 Niles, James
 Nathan, Elias
 Niegold, R. F.
 Owens, Thomas
 Owens, James
 Peterson, Simon
 Perrung, John
 Pierson, Robt.
 Rogers, John
 Snowden, F. M.
 Scheidt, G.
 Steel, W. H.
 Stolber, G. H.
 Sherwood, F. O.
 Taft, B. A.
 Taggart, W. H.
 Thompson, Charles
 Trevethon, John T.
 Wilson, W. B.
 Wallace, J. W.
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 White, C. B.
 Wennan, John

CRYSTAL LAKE LODGE No. 34.**LAKE CITY, HINSDALE COUNTY.**

(Communications second Tuesday in each month.)

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 Dawson, P. G.
 Dougan, Henry
 Dougan, Robt. J.
 Forberg, Carl
 Foster, John W.
 Gunst, Chas. A.

Hamm, P. M.
 Hanson, Rasmus
 Hart, Amos C.
 Herzinger, T. F.
 Hilgenhaus, C. F.
 Hoffman, D. S.
 Hough, John S.
 Kayser, Charles
 Lindsay, J. B.

Lyle, Chas. D.
 Marshall, Geo. W.
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 Pirle, George
 Richards, Geo. J.
 Smeltzer, Geo. W.
 Snyder, Harmon
 Weinberg, C. L.
 Weinberg, Louis

IONIC LODGE No. 35.

LEADVILLE, LAKE COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Branch, Albert H.
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 Bradburry, George E.
 Becker, Barney
 Beaudry, Fred. B.
 Bergstrom, Andrew J.
 Boyd, Lincoln
 Brockstedt, Max
 Bowden, John
 Barker, Fenlon G.
 Bonner, Daniel P.
 Champion, Thos. J.
 Corwin, Herbert D.
 Congdon, William
 Cohn, Joseph
 Coble, Westley W.
 Crispell, E. P.
 Callen, L. L.
 Clegg, John M.
 Conard, Eli M.
 Carter, Claude B.

Chamberlain, Bayard
 Champion, Johnnie R.
 Darnell, James K.
 Dills, John M.
 Davis, William A.
 Dooley, John M.
 Danielson, A. M.
 Ewing, John A.
 Evans, Arthur Grant
 Fielding, Charles
 Fanders, Henry D.
 Farrell, William H.
 Fisher, Adam
 Greenfield, Charles T.
 Given, Mansfield
 Greenfield, George D.
 Goslin, Arthur M.
 Grom, John A.
 Greenlaw, John A.
 Grant, John A.
 Goodwill, Andrew G.
 Hocking, William
 Hancock, Thomas
 Horner, Joseph F.
 Hancock, John
 Howell, John C.
 Haskin, John J.

Hughes, John H.
 Jans, Hans
 Kidd, Caleb
 Kahn, Marx
 Kuhlmeier, Joseph
 Katz, Emanuel
 Kahn, Isaac
 Kahn, Solomon G.
 Leonard, Charles M.
 Lindsay, Peter J.
 Lawson, L. C.
 Mack, Jacob
 Morrell, Winters
 Musser, John W.
 Morrison, Donald
 Morse, R. Q.
 Moyle, John
 Menser, Simon
 Murcray, George
 McColl, John M.
 McMillan, Nell
 McMillan, Rodrick
 McCoy, William W.
 McGready, Charles
 McClure, Thomas
 McGonigal, George
 McKenzie, Robert S.

Nell, John W.	Rutledge, William E.	Tryon, Claude
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Neal, Louis J.	Stiglitz, Joseph	Vulpius, Herman
Newman, Robert	Smith, A. A.	Watson, Walter B.
Ovens, Thomas	Seaman, Uriah	Wiles, Ed. W.
Powell, Herman	Sampson, Edward	Walley, Merrit B.
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Palmer, James F.	Stevens, Robert C.	Winters, John J.
Rowland, Fred J.	Thompson, Thomas H.	Weber, Gotlieb
Rockwell, James J.	Trevarrow, William E.	Waldron, John P.
Robbins, Samuel	Taylor, William O.	Welborn, James A.
Ramsey, George W.	Tupman, William C.	Zobel, August
Robson, Thomas		

ROSITA LODGE No. 36.

ROSITA, CUSTER COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Keavelin, Hugh
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OURAY LODGE No. 37.

OURAY, OURAY COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Wallace B. Alexander, W. M.
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Carney, Francis	Lewis, F. E.	Sherman, W. Arthur
Carney, Patrick	Loring, Chas. N.	Stevens, Theron
Clamp, James	Middaugh, W. H.	Story, Wm.
Childers, Lawrence D.	Moore, Milton H.	Stratton, Chas. C.
Copp, Henry	Mark, Milton H.	Strong, Geo. W.
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Davis, Andrew B. C.	McFarlane, Ed.	Tonge, Frederick R.
Drummond, James A.	Miller, Saml. W.	Walsh, Harry H.
Durrell, H. W.	Munn, Chas.	Walsh, Thos. F.
Fourell, Wm. H.	McLennan, John M.	Winter, Willis I.
Foster, Henry P.	Murray, John A.	Watson, S. S.
Forrester, Geo. B.	Mock, Harry	Walther, Amos E.
Fulton, Wm. C.	Munro, Alexander	Wheeler, Walter F.
Gardner, John	Neville, J. J.	Ward, Christopher A.
Gregg, Wm. E.	Nichols, Chauncey M.	Whinnerah, Richard
Haskins, Chas. W.	Nutter, Chas. P.	Williams, Ralph
Hays, Wm. T.	Ohwiler, J.	

SILVER CLIFF LODGE No. 38.

SILVER CLIFF, CUSTER COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

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Feist, Jno. A.	Waters, Stephen H.	McKinley, John
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Mitchell, Edwin	Walker, Alex.	

GUNNISON LODGE No. 39.

GUNNISON, GUNNISON COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Wm. J. Fine, J. W.
H. M. Webster, Treas.
John A. Steele, Sec'y.

Herman Holloway, S. D.
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Bartlett, Henry C.
Beck, Henry E.
Beeson, Wm. W.
Bleeker, John C.
Brooks, Edwin S.
Brown, Ira
Brown, Ira E.
Burnett, Walker
Davis, Willett C.
Davis, Wm. H.
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GEORGETOWN LODGE No. 48.**GEORGETOWN, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.**

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LOVELAND, LARIMER COUNTY.

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Dellzell, D. B.
Gilbert, B.
Hicks, John L.
Hinkley, H. D.
Hadfield, W. S.
Liggett, W. S.
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MESA LODGE No. 55.

GRAND JUNCTION, MESA COUNTY.

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 Bascom, Oliver M.
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 Baker, G. W.
 Baldwin, C. W.
 Barnhouse, T. E.
 Blakeslee, M. W.
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 Broemser, J. G.
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 Bucklin, Jas. W.
 Burtis, S.
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 Bannister, W. H.
 Bowers, Jas. H.
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 Caswell, C. F.
 Coleman, S. R.
 Cornetto, Joseph
 Crawford, T. B.
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 Clark, D. T.
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 Ela, W. P.
 Evans, E. A.
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Fisher, E. T.
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 Gutshall, S. P.
 Gannon, E. W.
 Golden, W. H.
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 Gorman, A. R.
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 Hoskins, Fred
 Hanson, W. E.
 Harrison, H. T.
 Haslett, P. B.
 Houseman, C. E.
 Horton, John
 Innis, William
 Jay, B. F.
 Jones, Harry B.
 Keim, J. F.
 Krohn, E. S.
 Kippe, B. L.
 Krusen, N. J.
 Lane, S. G.
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 Layton, A. M.
 Layton, A. J.
 Lowry, T. J.
 Lumsden, J. J.
 Lane, J. E.
 Lower, J. J.
 Leach, Fred H.
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 Mann, J. B.
 McCune, A. J.
 McGinley, Wm.
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 Miller, L. M.
 Mitchell, C. E.

Nelson, J. H.
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 Newton, A. C.
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 Pierce, F. H.
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 Rupp, Albert G.
 Rich, Franklin
 Rice, W. A.
 Rice, J. H.
 Roberts, J. F.
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 Ross, H. W.
 Rawlins, C. E.
 Roberts, J. D.
 Rayburn, John, Sr.
 Reeder, John D.
 Sisson, Thos. E.
 Shaffer, W. E.
 Stapleton, John
 Stetler, L. F.
 Snooks, T. A.
 Shields, John
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 Shores, M. M.
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TELLURIDE LODGE No. 56.

TELLURIDE, SAN MIGUEL COUNTY.

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Ballard, Alex M.	Hogg, Herschel M.	Roberts, Frank B.
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Blackwell, C. P.	Henry, Leron	Stucker, William H.
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Dills, Edmund E.	March, Wm. T.	Wheeler, Wm. E.
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Doolittle, Chas. H.	McLeod, D. N.	Weller, E. B.
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Floaten, Harry A.	Morrison, A. K.	Wagner, Jacob
Freedlund, Axel	Michaely, John	Woods, A. T.
Gordon, W. H.	McIlvaine, F. M.	Everett, Frank E.
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SALIDA LODGE No. 57.

SALIDA, CHAFFEE COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

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Bowen, I. H.	Hathaway, A. T.	Ruland, M. J.
Brown, J. B.	Hatch, E. A.	Ridgeway, J. H.
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CRESTED BUTTE LODGE No. 58.

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Carlisle, R. G.	Huesner, C. B.	Pyle, W. P.
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Groesbeck, E. G.	Miner, D. V.	Starr, Thos.
Gillett, E. W.	McKay, G. W.	Wheeler, N. C.
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LA VETA LODGE No. 59.

LA VETA, HUERFANO COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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Otson, John R.
Phillips, Albert

Page, Alfred
Strange, S. L.
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SPAR LODGE No. 60.

ASPEN, PITKIN COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Thursdays in each month.)

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Baldy, John P.
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Canning, John K.
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Cornell, Walter W.
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Denman, Frank H.
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Davenport, E. Grant
Eastman, Benj. M.
Evans, William S.
Fagan, William
Freeman, Jason E.
Finley, Stephen H.
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Gillespie, Henry B.
Gillien, Edward A.

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Greener, John H.
Harrod, Joseph C.
Harding, John F.
Hunkins, Ensign L.
Hopkins, Alfred
Halton, John C.
Hussey, L. Nelson C.
Hutteman, W. Julius
Johns, Stephen J.
Jennings, John
Johns, John W.
Johnson, Daniel D.
Kalfus, John W.
Kunz, David
Linx, Peter
Lawrence, Levi
Lewis, Noah D.

Light, Frederick
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McDonald, John R.
 MacMillan, John F.
 O'Hara, John T.
 Plumb, Porter
 Reese, Charles
 Rucker, Thomas A.
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 Ryan, Michael D.
 Richards, John W.
 Slagle, James E.
 Shilling, Arthur B.
 Schaffer, George H.

Sanborn, Chas. O.
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 Silver, Burnim
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HARMONY LODGE No. 61.

DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

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 Beggs, W. A.
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 Campbell, J. M.
 Clark, A. W.
 Clayton, Thos. H.
 Connolly, E. R.
 Connett, W. S.
 Cowell, C. B.
 Cowell, C. W.
 Crocker, Wm.
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 Dagnall, W. S.

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 Fogle, John
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 Freeman, J. J.
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 Gordon, John R.
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 Good, Wm. F.
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 Hoagland, H. C.
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 Kisthard, Wm. H.
 Kelly, Henry
 Kennedy, Leo W.

Knox, J. A.
 Kummer, Wm.
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 Linstroth, Harry
 Lounsbury, Horace
 McParlin, W. E.
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 Miller, James L.
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 Myers, John H.
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 Phillips, S. L.
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 Pace, Frank L.
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 Powers, M. J.

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 Rice, J. W.
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 Ross, James B.
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 Robinson, Wm. W.
 Roser, Henry H.
 Sterling, M. L.
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 Smith, John C.
 Smith, Wm. J.
 Stone, Joel E.
 Schoepflin, H. F.
 Sanford, J. W.
 Schultz, H. G.
 Snider, J. A.

Shoemaker, A. W.
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 Smallwood, James
 Seyler, H. M.
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 Sykes, Chas. E.
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 Thompson, R. A.
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 Thurman, H. S.
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 Wnson, Abram
 Willison, Robt.
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 Wildey, C. W.
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DELTA LODGE No. 62.

DELTA, DELTA COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Mondays in each month.)

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 Carr, A. W.
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 Gillitt, Edward
 Ingersoll, H. H.

King, A. R.
 Kelso, R. S.
 Kellogg, E. L.
 Lees, J. F.
 Lamar, J. R.
 Lamb, T. E.
 McGrannahan, T. H.
 Pollock, J. C.
 Price, H. J.
 Phillips, J. R.

Scott, Walter
 Sephan, George
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MONTROSE LODGE No. 63.

MONTROSE, MONTROSE COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

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Cowgill, John
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Collins, Richard
Diehl, R. C.
Davis, L. E.
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Emhuff, S. M.
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Fleming, Walter H.
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Hall, C. W.
Ham, Geo. W.
Hensler, D. H.
Henderson, Chris
Killian, J. B.
Krebs, J. F.
Kyle, J. F.
McClure, J. E.
Miller, Arnoldus
Manley, J. F.
McDaniels, Frank

O'Neil, James
Payson, A. R.
Palmer, John C.
Roberts, Abe
Reeves, A. F.
Raish, Charles
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Sampson, Wm.
Smith, P. T.
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EUCLID LODGE No. 64.

LA JUNTA, OTERO COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.)

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Biggs, M. E.
Brown, Harry L.
Beerbohm, Chas. A.
Carlisle, Chas. E.
Caltman, Robt.
Donovan, Jas. W.
Davenport, E. E.
Durant, W. J.
Draper, W. A. C.
Everett, J. F.
Foxworthy, A.
Foxworthy, B. J.
Finney, Frank
Fields, Jas. A.
Finnity, Michael

Farwell, Marcus Z.
Farley, Chas.
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Grant, E. W.
Green, S. S.
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Hadfield, J. B.
Henderson, T. M.
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Johnson, John
Kilgore, Geo. A.
Kendall, C. F.
Koehler, W. C.
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Loomis, H. W.
Lyon, S. R.
Lester, W. A.
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Pegan, O. C.
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Parker, Geo. W.
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Rasendahl, C. Oscar
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Stafford, S.
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Timmis, R.
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Thompkins, F. W.
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Wood, Jno. T.
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Wood, F. D.
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GLENWOOD LODGE No. 65.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, GARFIELD COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

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Marcellus Monroe, Tiler.

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Clark, L. G.
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Dynes, W. B.
Davis, Thos. L.
Darrow, C. W.
Dougan, Wm.
Dewitt, Marshall
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DeRemer, Jared R.
Ewing, Fred C.
Esler, John
Evans, John
Evans, Chas.
Fesler, John H.
Gant, Wm.
Gamble, E. L.
Harris, H. H.

Houtts, H. C.
Hotopp, Theo. M. H.
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Isaac, Wm. G.
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Kamm, Henry R.
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Price, Jas. M.
Parks, C. C.
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Rohr, Wm.
Roedman, Wm.

Robinson, A. L.
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MANITOU, EL PASO COUNTY.

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WINDSOR, WELD COUNTY.

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LOGAN LODGE No. 70.

JULESBURG, SEDGWICK COUNTY.

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WRAY LODGE No. 71.

WRAY, YUMA COUNTY.

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GRANADA, PROWERS COUNTY.

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 Grizzel, John H.
 Hardy, Fred

Johnson, Adam J.
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 Potter, Virgil A.
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ST. JOHN LODGE No. 75.**ROCKY FORD, OTERO COUNTY.**

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 Effner, Friend J.
 Fenton, Ward E.
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Ganger, John E.
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 Hale, Ira D.
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 King, Robert L.
 Kearby, Elias W.
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 Mayhew, B. L.
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 Smith, M. J. Myers
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BURLINGTON LODGE No. 77.

BURLINGTON, KIT CARSON COUNTY.

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BRIGHTON LODGE No. 78.

BRIGHTON, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

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RICO LODGE No. 79.**RICO, DOLORES COUNTY.**

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 Spurlock, Josiah
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RIO BLANCO LODGE No. 80.**MEEKER, RIO BLANCO COUNTY.**

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HOLYOKE LODGE No. 81.**HOLYOKE, PHILLIPS COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Fridays in each month.)

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Gath, C. E.
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 Hoskins, R. A.
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 McPherrin, E. N.

McCarty, C. S.
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 Siverson, Martin
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CARBONDALE LODGE No. 82.**CARBONDALE, GARFIELD COUNTY.**

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 Fishel, Chas. W.
 Fields, Michael B.
 Hill, B. B.
 Ittleson, Oscar
 Johnson, John F.
 Johnson, Martin
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 Murfet, John H.

McClure, Chas. O.
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BERTHOUD LODGE No. 83.**BERTHOUD, LARIMER COUNTY.**

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Eldson, Wm.
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TEMPLE LODGE No. 84.**DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.**

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Holzman, Joseph	McEniry, Thomas	Willey, James J.
House, Bruce F.	McGillivray, John C.	Williams, John C.
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Holley, Douglas K.	MacSheehy, Chris. C.	Woods, Henry A.
Hall, Burrough R.	Newell, Benj. F.	Woods, Hiram
Hughes, Kendrick	Nims, Franklin A.	Woodworth, Henry C.
Jaeger, Charles	Owen, Adams	Woodworth, Harry A.
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Joseph, Simeon A.	Pettee, Frank A.	Wyatt, John J.
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 Clark, John R.
 Coe, Earl B.
 Coe, Fred. E.
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 Crane, Frederick A.
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Brown, Cecil W.	Charlton, N. E.	Freeman, Thos. W.
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Bullen, C. E.	Catlett, Robt.	Gibbons, R. D.
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Bainbridge, M. E.	Erickson, Peter	Gilbert, H. W.
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Burkhard, S. T.	Espey, John R.	Himelspauh, John

Hooge, S. W.	May, T. A.	Smith, W. M.
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LAMAR LODGE No. 90.

LAMAR, PROWERS COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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Conwell, Marion L.	Marker, David C.	Taylor, William I.
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LAFAYETTE LODGE No. 91.**LAFAYETTE, BOULDER COUNTY.**

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Carnsew, W. J.
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Fruth, George
Holmes, J. Newton

Lawson, N. A.
Miller, James P.
Paige, T. C.
Simpson, J. H.
Simpson, Joseph
Simpson, James
Smith, T. O.

Stobbs, Matthew
Thompson, J. C.
Van Deren, J. M.
Williams, J. B.
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Wood, S. R.
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Bruce, Robert
Carlson, John
Cary, George N.
Carrow, Paul H.
Chase, James G.
Cheney, Clarence L.
Corbin, Charles N.
Crawshaw, Vincent C.
Davis, James M.

Douglas, Joseph S.
Dow, John D.
Dueker, William H.
Duggan, Thomas H.
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Fischer, Max
Fox, Pleasant W.
Fulton, John C.
Garvin, Jesse B.
Gilchrist, Harry S.
Gourley, John H.
Gregory, William G.
Grommet, Philip H.
Gunn, Joseph W.
Haas, Frank
Hall, Charles G.

Hamilton, George T.
Hamilton, John J.
Hapgood, Addison H.
Harris, Harry
Hefkins, Harry W.
Hoevet, Alfred T.
Hester, William R.
Higson, J. Ernest
Hoffman, Edward F.
Holder, Harry C.
Ives, Frank W.
Jenkins, Clinton L.
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SOUTH DENVER LODGE No. 93.

DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

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 Dunlap, B. H.

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 Davis, S. M.
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Hawaway, E. W.
Hariman, Adolph
Hughes, James
Hughlitt, F. L.
Hillerman, Wm. D.
Jackson, E. M.
Jackson, A.
Johnson, J. Will
Knight, Chas. C.
Kennon, J. W.
Kimmel, O. P.
Lannon, Chas. A.
Lepkovitz, Nathan

Lewis, John
Luttin, Luke
Luce, E. H.
Lawson, W. M.
Lindsley, Francis R.
Meales, J. M.
Mills, Chas. W.
Morgan, James
McGregor, Alex.
McGrath, Miles
Niles, A. P.
Niece, W. E.
Park, Andrew
Patrick, Geo. F.
Quackenbush, R. M., Jr.
Quackenbush, C. H.
Roe, Geo. W.
Reece, C. W.
Rice, C. O.

Ramage, T. J.
Rushmer, G. E.
Rogers, Freeman C.
Riesenecker, Anthony
Ritter, John
Sage, F. E.
Singer, Frank
Schropp, W. H.
Smith, L. W.
Stewart, A. T.
Stephenson, Thos.
Taylor, W. E.
Thompson, A. K.
Thompson, Jas. K.
Willett, C. W.
Wilson, Ben M.
White, J. A.
Waverly, Edwin
Wilkins, Thomas

MOUNT PISGAH LODGE No. 96.

CRIPPLE CREEK, EL PASO COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

S. C. Stover, W. M.
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Charles Harcourt, Sec'y.

Morris Cohn, S. D.
G. W. Jones, J. D.
Charles G. Bower, S. S.
Max Brown, J. S.
Richard Burke, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Adams, J. H.
Airheart, T. P.
Aldred, J. W.
Allen, Amos
Anderson, W. H.
Asbury, J. W.
Barker, M. C.
Baughman, C. E.
Bergman, O. F.
Binner, John L.
Blizard, Ira
Bourne, Sidney H.
Bray, W. A.
Brewster, George P.
Burton, J. Knox
Burns, Jas. F.
Campbell, A. J.
Carruthers, R. W.
Card, W. S.
Chambers, W. J.

Clark, W. L.
Colburn, F. A.
Coin, J. R.
Crandall, W. P.
Crooke, John
Davis, A. J.
Davis, Robert
Doyle, J. A.
Dougherty, John
Finn, J. Maurice
Franks, D. H.
Furthmiller, Wm.
Fuchs, Isadore
Fuller, Williard M.
George, Lee
Gill, George
Glauber, Moritz
Grauman, David
Grant, Charles E.
Grimes, C. Y.

Hall, D. S.
Harder, H. F.
Harnan, John
Harris, W. H.
Helm, Will
Hettig, Peter
Hills, Victor G.
Hurd, J. E.
Johnson, A. J.
Kadish, Bela
Keith, Charles A.
Kellogg, Henry
Kohn, George W.
Leonard, W. H.
Liggett, W. T.
Lloyd, Evan
Malins, F. A.
Mayhew, George W.
Mellinger, F. M.
Mollette, A. Rex

Moulton, F. P.	Ross, Donald	Sullivan, M. J.
Montgomery, W. S.	Salisbury, J. C.	Tingley, C. F.
McCanley, W. M.	Seely, Jno. Everett	Thompson, Floyd
McClelland, W. B.	Sergeant, Ellis	Tomlinson, J. B.
McCoy, J. C.	Seeds, Wm. P.	Thomas, Thornton H.
McDonald, Samuel	Shaffer, E. L.	Trevarrow, E. J.
Neal, J. S.	Shelton, L. R.	Trevarrow, Wm.
Olwell, Joseph T.	Shepherd, H. L.	Trevarthan, R. A.
Opp, George	Smith, Jas. F.	Turnbull, J. A. C.
Pearce, George	Smith, Chas. C.	Von Ruecan, L. H. R.
Pease, Nelson H.	Smith, J. W.	Willis, Bushrod
Phetterplace, Don	Smith, L. E.	Wilson, J. H.
Porges, S.	Squires, W. B.	Wilson, Hiram
Pullin, W. B.	Stanley, James M.	Whiting, J. A.
Ridpath, Charles	Steele, Bruce B.	White, W. C.
Rinker, John F.	Story, I. Holgate	Young, A. G.
Roman, John H.	Stoddard, E. C.	Young, James
Rose, H. B.	Strong, Samuel	

FREMONT LODGE No. 97.

FLORENCE, FREMONT COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

J. C. McCreery, W. M.	Henry Bridgford, S. D.
Frank Keller, S. W.	Thomas Walters, J. D.
David Argall, J. W.	D. L. Rowe, S. S.
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Geo. L. Killian, Sec'y.	N. F. Clark, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Bedwell, T. N.	Hemphill, A. F.	Oates, Geo. W.
Beech, Benj.	Irwin, J. S.	Patterson, John A.
Blunt, Jno. E.	Jack, D. A.	Probst, J. H.
Burns, Jno.	Jack, E. F.	Pierce, Harry
Brimble, J. W.	Johnson, J. G.	Phillips, W. J.
Clark, R. J.	Kirkbride, S. H.	Palmer, A. G.
Condit, Jas. A.	Keating, T. C.	Rambo, J. W.
Daniels, W. J.	Lewis, M. E.	Rentfrow, Grant
Derrick, J. B.	Lines, Matt	Richardson, A.
Davie, W. H.	Myers, A. F.	Rathburn, Gideon
Davis, Bennett S.	Moore, H. N.	Steen, L. M.
Eynow, David	Morse, C. S.	Stewart, R. D.
Foster, W. J.	Mitchell, W. E.	Squyres, W. M.
Gullanger, A.	Murry, J. M.	Saylor, E. C.
Gibson, W. M.	Meserve, John B.	Smith, Arthur
Hawkins, W. P.	Mitchell, A. R.	Sharp, W. M.
Hanks, J. M.	McDaniels, J. H.	Tindall, W. F.
Hartman, E. B.	McLarum, J. M.	Watts, J. S.
Holmes, Fred	McEnery, T. J.	Walters, J. W.

HIRAM LODGE No. 10

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1. The first of these is the fact that the majority of the population of the United States is now living in urban areas. This is a result of the process of urbanization, which has been going on since the beginning of the 20th century. The population of the United States has increased from about 100 million in 1900 to over 200 million in 1960. At the same time, the population of rural areas has decreased from about 100 million in 1900 to about 50 million in 1960. This has led to a concentration of the population in urban areas, which has had a number of important consequences for the development of the United States.

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Catharine E. Hall, V. L.
Thos. J. Hall, V. L.
Wm. S. Hall, V. L.
Chas. A. Hall, V. L.

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Barker & Wilson & D.
Samuel A. Brown & S.
Lester Barrett & S.
David A. Wilson, Pres.

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Egan, George F.
 Zimmerman, Charles D.
 Euling, R. L.
 Eagers, Edwin M.
 Eversling, Daniel P.
 Eneault, Robert
 Smith, Harold E.
 Scott, Joseph H.
 Strawbrugg, Benj. M.
 Eneault, William
 Strecker, Albert L.
 Shaw, Herbert L.
 Estling, Isaac W.
 Thomas, Charles H.
 Williams, John R.
 Williams, George H.
 Williams, John M.
 Williams, William W.
 Wright, Henry M.
 Wilson, Walter R.
 Young, Emil W.

VICTOR LODGE No. 99.

VICTOR, EL PASO COUNTY.

(Communications every Tuesday.)

OFFICERS.

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J. S. Sheppard, Sec'y.

John R. Williams, S. D.
W. A. Treadwell, J. D.
Harry G. Moore, S. S.
Clinton Gove, J. S.
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Asdell, Jno. B.	Baldwins, Walter A.
Aymer, Robt.	Burnside, James
Armstrong, L. A.	Brown, Fred S.
Burnes, Thos. F.	Bodfish, Fred V.
Brownell, H. C.	Bente, Wm. F.

Cunningham, J. B.
Clements, D. N.
Connor, P. A.
Coulson, S. F.
Cooper, C. L.

* Not a member.

Curny, John	Lohnes, B. F.	Ruse, Joseph
Cann, Eli	Lambert, Fred	Robison, M. A.
Crawford, A. S.	McKinzie, J. H.	Reid, Robt. W.
Camp, Solomon	McKinzie, Geo.	Rucker, W. J.
Cowgill, M. J.	McKinzie, Wm.	Schofield, Jno. W.
Campbell, J. L.	McLaine, J. A.	Swem, Chas. E.
Downey, J. B.	McCabe, Jay	Seeman, John
Dolf, Geo. R.	McConnell, Robt. S.	Stevens, E. A.
Dannenhawer, Lelan	McCormack, Saml.	Smith, Erick
Emery, Chas. H.	McCoach, John	Squires, H. D.
Fernay, Wm. G.	McLellan, L. C.	Simontons, Geo. E.
Frost, A. S.	McGrath, Wm. S.	Truesdell, H. S.
Good, Oscar	Merritt, Geo. N.	Tatman, J. C.
Gurney, Chas. W.	Mellin, Wm.	Thayer, L. W.
Greve, M. D.	Merton, Ed.	Thatcher, F. F.
George, Chas. J.	Mays, A. G.	Vincent, Jno. M.
Hoag, S. H.	Miller, M. L.	White, E. L.
Hunt, J. H.	Mowatt, J. L.	Welder, Eugene
Hilbert, S. M.	Nelson, Gustav	Wallace, Jas.
Huff, J. W.	Norris, Joseph	Wilsom, J. C.
Hore, J. J.	Newland, Ed. H.	Williams, Jno. W.
Hazelton, Geo.	Owens, J. J.	Woods, Frank M.
Godfrey, C. R.	Peirce, R. C.	Willis, John
Jones, B. F.	Perrine, M. G.	Weaver, Gade
Johns, Jno. H.	Price, Curtice S.	Windsor, R. P.
Jones, A. P.	Phillips, Joseph W.	Welch, Edwin P.
Johnson, Jasper W.	Perry, John G.	Weaver, W. B.
Kelso, Clarence P.	Phillips, Chas. A.	Call, J. B.
Kerr, W. W.	Phillips, Geo. J.	Hall, C. D.
Linares, D. G.	Rollins, Wm. P.	

MANCOS LODGE No. 100.

MANCOS, MONTEZUMA COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Andrew F. Samson, W. M.
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 Louis Paquin, J. W.
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 Newton W. Samson, Sec'y.

Casper M. Coston, S. D.
 Chas. B. Kelly, J. D.
 Ralph Samson, S. S.
 Fred L. Armstrong, J. S.
 Licurgus C. Williams,
 Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Burghardt, J. H.
 Coston, C. L.
 Crain, W. E.
 Funk, Jas. A.

Fellows, A. Lincoln
 Rush, Jas. M., Sr.
 Redmond, Daniel H.
 Roesler, William

Reid, Benj. O.
 Smith, S. J.
 Shallos, Chas.
 Wesh, John

PLATEAU LODGE No. 101.**MESA, MESA COUNTY.**

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Wm. Dittman, W. M.
 Archie R. Craig, S. W.
 Geo. W. Masters, J. W.
 Chas. W. Napier, Treas.
 Howard L. Fairall, Sec'y.

A. J. Godding, S. D.
 W. H. Long, J. D.
 Jasper Shotwell, S. S.
 Thomas B. Hawkhurst,
 J. S.
 Jno. H. McNelley, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Adair, Jas. M.
 Bales, Geo. W.
 Caughman, W. H. H.
 Carlisle, W. J.
 Dinkle, Jas. H.
 DeBeque, W. A. E.
 Dowden, S. M.

Hazzard, George
 Hawxhurst, Jno. W.
 Hinton, Geo. Fred
 Kimball, G. P. O.
 Laswell, Marion E.
 Long, Joseph J.

Mattingly, J. J.
 Napier, Joseph F.
 Ostrom, Ralph W.
 Shotwell, Geo. W.
 Tower, Joseph D.
 Waldron, Trueman

MT. LAMBORN LODGE No. 102.**HOTCHKISS, DELTA COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Newton M. Heistand, W. M.
 John G. Wilbur, S. W.
 Chas. R. Miller, J. W.
 Edward P. Barrow, Treas.

Paul E. Kennedy, Sec'y.
 Chas. L. Pike, S. D.
 John W. Finn, J. D.
 Jas. K. Ellis, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Baetjer, William T.
 Bennett, Norman D.
 Coburn, Watson S.
 Hammond, Henry J.

Hanson, John E.
 Hall, Edward E.
 Harpst, Elias F.

Quackenbush, Edmund B.
 Smith, David
 Hurst, James W.

VULCAN LODGE No. 103.**HOOPER, COSTILLA COUNTY.**

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Chas. N. Kinney, W. M.
 W. M. Asher, S. W.
 C. R. Foster, J. W.
 Thos. Rosebrough, Treas.
 E. M. Perdew, Sec'y.

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 W. T. Wellington, J. S.
 W. R. Page, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Abrams, Henry
 Abrams, Jas. O.
 Buckley, Ruben R.
 Brown, John C.
 Crouch, Chas. R.
 Clark, Geo. W.

Gumprecht, Max C.
 Groves, H. S.
 Gumprecht, Geo. C.
 Johnston, Edward B.
 Loehwing, A.

Morgan, Jas. B.
 McFadden, Jas.
 Pyke, William R.
 Tuttle, W. P.
 Wills, Robt. B.

CHARTERED IN 1898.

TEJON LODGE No. 104.

COLORADO SPRINGS, EL PASO COUNTY.

Dispensation issued December 16, 1897.

William Woods Williamson, W. M. Horace W. Mitchell, S. W.
Charles H. Dudley, J. W.

Julius Albinus Sill.	Howard E. Bassett.
William R. Barnes.	Henry LeB. Wills.
Alonzo E. Reed.	William R. Coe.
Gus Stainsky.	George H. Randall.
Alvaro Hemenway.	Frederick G. Hayner.
Truman C. Link.	John P. Madden.
James Beshears.	John T. Reed.
George B. Turnbull.	William B. Jenkins.
Charles I. Miller.	Richard Ashby.
Bramley Whitehead.	William A. McWhorter.
James W. Atkinson.	Justus R. Friedline.
Alexander J. Smith.	James Simpson.
S. Ben. Smith.	Laurence L. Johnson.
James F. Maybury.	Frank L. Scott.
James W. Scott.	Lynn S. Atkinson.
Eugene A. Hyde.	

The above thirty-four from the late Acacia Lodge No. 85, at Colorado Springs, Colo., with Grand Lodge certificates.

Howard E. Gates, from Acacia Lodge No. 85, Colorado Springs, Colo. Dimit dated February 26, 1896.

Brooks Irlone, from Goodland Lodge No. 321, Goodland, Kan. Dimit dated November 7, 1894.

James Wymore, from Goodland Lodge No. 321, Goodland, Kan. Dimit dated November 16, 1896.

Frank N. Strong, from Winfield Lodge No. 58, Winfield, Kan. Dimit dated November 11, 1897.

John I. Bourne, from Goodland Lodge No. 321, Goodland, Kan. Dimit dated December 19, 1894.

John G. Bourne, from Goodland Lodge No. 321, Goodland, Kan. Dimit dated December 19, 1894.

Charter granted September 21, 1898, to all the above except Howard E. Bassett, and to

Walter W. Atkinson, raised while under dispensation, and Ed. P. Hufferd, from Snow Lodge No. 305, Groves, Ind. Dimit dated August 6, 1898.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

TYRIAN LODGE.

DEL NORTE, RIO GRANDE COUNTY.

Dispensation issued May 10, 1898.

John Gurdon Huntington, W. M. Edward Rugg Hoyt, S. W.
Roy Campbell, J. W.

Christian Keck.	Alfred George Beere.
Martin Hanna.	Alden Bassett.
Henry Meade Dyer.	John Off.
Shepard Phillips.	Thomas Allen Good.
Ezra Taylor Elliott.	Adam Jacob Weiss.
Strother Nicholas Scott.	Loui Weiss.
Mark Biedell.	John Cleghorn.
James Henry Baxter.	Samuel Alvin Thomas.
Gottfried Kernan.	Julius Henry Weiss.
John Ostrum.	John Albert Arthur.
Henry Clay Aydelotte.	Fred. Raber.
Jacob Gredig.	Frank William Hubbard.
George Andrew Willis.	Duncan Colville.
August John Robran.	

Above thirty from the late Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo., with Grand Lodge certificates.

Richard Clarence Scott, from Olive Branch Lodge No. 32, Saguache, Colo. Dimit dated November 6, 1897.

William Otterbein Stratton, from Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, Monte Vista, Colo. Dimit dated January 11, 1898.

James Harrah Collins, from Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, Monte Vista, Colo. Dimit dated December 15, 1897.

John Bernard Haffy, from Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo. Dimit dated March 4, 1884.

Jesse Clinton Wiley, from Irving Lodge No. 455, Irving, Ill. Dimit not dated.

Henry Weiss, from Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo. Dimit dated January 20, 1895.

Dispensation continued, September 21, 1898.

EGERIA LODGE.

YAMPA, ROUTT COUNTY.

Dispensation issued July 27, 1898.

William J. Breckel, W. M., from St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, Longmont, Colo. Dimit dated March 5, 1898.

Ervin D. Eaton, S. W., from Corning Lodge No. 13, Corning, Kan. Dimit dated May 7, 1898.

Douglas D. Lees, J. W., from Yampa Lodge No. 88, Craig, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1898.

William C. Schaller, from Prudence Lodge No. 119, Canistota, S. D. Dimit dated May 20, 1898.

James H. Laramore, from El Paso Lodge No. 13, Colorado Springs, Colo. Dimit dated November 14, 1885.

Frank W. Pickett, from Arapahoe Lodge No. 109, Arapahoe, Neb. Dimit dated June 24, 1898.

Harvey F. Sturdevant, from Collins Lodge No. 19, Fort Collins, Colo. Dimit dated July 20, 1898.

Henry J. Hernage, from Yampa Lodge No. 88, Craig, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1898.

Albert J. Leckenby, from Kennedy Lodge No. 467, Kennedy, Ala. Dimit dated June 14, 1898.

Cassius M. Velts, from Mesa Lodge No. 55, Grand Junction, Colo. Dimit dated July 21, 1898.

Dispensation continued, September 21, 1898.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY
OF
JOHN W. WIDDERFIELD,
DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 1888.
BORN
MARCH 10, 1826,
CHARLOTTEVILLE, VIRGINIA.
DIED
JULY 4, 1896,
TRINIDAD, COLORADO.
AN HONEST MAN.

In Memoriam.

**IN MEMORY
OF
DEPARTED BRETHREN
WITHIN THE JURISDICTION
OF
THE M. W. GRAND LODGE
OF
COLORADO
WHO HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD
SINCE OUR LAST REPORT.**

1898.

In Memoriam.

**TO THE MEMORY
OF
THE BELOVED DEAD
OF
OTHER JURISDICTIONS.**

1898.

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
OUR BRETHREN
WHO LOST THEIR LIVES
IN THE DESTRUCTION OF THE
UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP
MAINE.
FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

Our Fraternal Dead.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
White, William	1	January 22, 1898
Lee, John	4	November 9, 1897
Salomon, Hyman Z.	5	November 28, 1897
Bingham, Benj. F.	5	April 20, 1898
Morgan, Thomas	5	May 4, 1898
Lowen, Albert C.	5	June 2, 1898
Harvey, Richard	6	November 27, 1898
Queen, William	6	May 12, 1898
Ausplund, Robert K.	7	September 9, 1897
Lennon, John A.	7	September 14, 1897
Smith, Thomas L.	7	September 22, 1897
Spangler, Michael	7	December 12, 1897
Bixby, Frank C.	7	January 19, 1898
Miller, Harrison J.	7	February 21, 1898
Barrett, George	7	February 26, 1898
Peabody, Leion	7	April 10, 1898
Meek, Arthur E.	7	July 14, 1898
Farmer, Fred. C.	7	July 17, 1898
Welch, David L.	13	March 21, 1898
Peery, R. B.	13	April 5, 1898
Brown, J. F.	13	May 23, 1898
Fenn, Chas.	13	May 26, 1898
Lytle, George	14	September 24, 1897
Wood, G. P.	14	November, 1897
Harvey, M. T.	14	March 2, 1898
Steinmetz, C. C.	14	March 19, 1898
Hoyle, Edw.	14	May 24, 1898
Davis, John	14	March 7, 1898
Moore, E. E.	15	March 7, 1898
Weaver, William H.	15	June 30, 1898
Dotson, Peter K.	17	July 6, 1898
Matthews, John C.	19	November 9, 1897
Stephenson, Jefferson F.	19	June 21, 1898
Atkinson, James	20	November 5, 1897
Maltbie, Noah	20	June 1, 1898
Chapman, W. W.	22	March 18, 1898
Brown, W. W.	23	April 6, 1898
Lykins, David J.	23	March 3, 1898
Tiffany, Willard H.	23	August 10, 1898
Wilson, John	23	November 18, 1897
Neuman, Sig.	27	October 20, 1897
Whitman, B. N.	27	March 7, 1898
Miller, D. R.	28	January 4, 1898
Widderfield, J. W.	28	July 4, 1898
Reeves, Frank	28	November 26, 1897
Frost, James E.	30	November 14, 1897
Strait, Wm. W.	31	September 18, 1897
Banks, Henry C.	31	June 28, 1898
Kirker, Josiah S.	34	May 8, 1898
Geiger, Wm. F.	37	April 20, 1898
Colmar, Martin	37	August 21, 1898
Smith, Frank C.	39	November 1, 1897
Weissmueller, Chas. F.	41	September 9, 1897
Brushne, Carl	41	December 8, 1897
Quentin, Hermann	41	February 17, 1898
Eldodt, Nathan	44	April 19, 1898
Joyce, Wm.	45	
Conrad, M. E.	47	August 12, 1898
Bullock, C. B.	48	July 1, 1898

Our Fraternal Dead.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Gedney, Herbert	48	August 9, 1896
Kellock, Andrew	56	February 16, 1896
Goff, Harry K.	56	December 30, 1897
McNider, Charles C.	60	November, 1897
Wardell, John B.	60	June 20, 1898
Penny, James G.	63	September 7, 1897
Frowine, C. H.	68	November 1, 1897
Dalrymple, J. F.	71	October 3, 1897
Hendrie, Collier	71	January 17, 1898
Millis, Wm. J.	76	February 16, 1898
Kennedy, Barney K.	79	May 26, 1898
Pollock, Albert B.	81	February 8, 1898
Baker, Henry A.	84	December 8, 1897
Mann, James C.	84	October 30, 1897
Blethens, C. B.	89	February 25, 1898
Lynch, Charles G.	90	May 31, 1898
Stabler, Ellsbery	92	June 23, 1898
Martin, Wm. L. (a F. C.)	93	November 14, 1896
Willard, John J.	95	March 29, 1898
Hamilton, J. C.	95	May 10, 1898
Bertleux, Evereste	96	October 20, 1897
Shaver, George G.	96	May 11, 1898
Smith, O. F.	97	July 8, 1898
Britton, James B.	103	December 8, 1898

REINSTATED.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Kean, John	1	Oct. 4, 1897
Scott, James S.	1	Jan'y 3, 1898
Reeves, George W.	1	April 18, 1898
Kline, David	5	Oct. 2, 1897
Wadsworth, Harrison L.	5	Nov. 6, 1897
Treat, Charles A.	5	Jan'y 1, 1898
Godfray, Walter J.	5	May 21, 1898
Burnham, George A.	7	Jan'y 8, 1898
Kelsey Van B.	7	March 26, 1898
Westover, Joseph	11	Dec. 23, 1897
Withrow, Chase	11	June 1, 1898
Landers, Milton H.	12	Sept. 25, 1897
Kime, James	13	
Bosworth, William P.	19	July 20, 1898
Goodan, John A.	20	April 22, 1898
Law, Harvey M.	20	July 20, 1898
Breckel, W. J.	23	Feb'y 19, 1898
Dell, George T.	23	Jan'y 15, 1898
Comar, George	30	March 19, 1898
Price, Mark B.	30	March 19, 1898
Wyatt, J. N.	30	March 19, 1898
Wright, Silas G.	30	March 19, 1898
Dameron, George M.	30	July 16, 1898
Godwin, Thomas H.	30	Dec. 18, 1897
Grubb, Erastus F.	31	Feb'y 17, 1898
Williams, George A.	31	May 19, 1898
Davis, Weston T.	31	June 2, 1898
Taliaferro, J. B.	34	July 12, 1898
Goodwill, Andrew G.	35	Sept. 2, 1897
Haskin, John J.	35	Nov. 18, 1897
Elley, Charles F.	35	Dec. 2, 1897
Palmer, James F.	35	May 5, 1898
Nicholson, Norman	35	June 2, 1898
Chamberlain, Bayard	35	July 7, 1898
Tucker, George	35	August 4, 1898
Prout, Joseph A.	36	Jan'y 18, 1898
Townsend, George A.	43	Dec. 18, 1897
Raymond, George N.	46	Nov. 4, 1897
Dunstan, Edwin	51	Oct. 8, 1897
Cameron, Hugh T.	60	August 11, 1898
Wilson, George	66	August 5, 1898
Dickerson, I. N.	69	Dec. 7, 1897
Roberts, Cornelius	77	
Anderson, Chris.	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Barlow, Alex. J.	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Higgins, Edward	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Lewis, Frank R.	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Morrish, William C.	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Thompson, Julius	79	Jan'y 25, 1898
Nelms, N. W.	89	Feb'y 8, 1898
Shaver, George G.	96	Sept. 22, 1897

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Hussey William	1	Jan'y 17, 1898
Scott, James S.	1	Jan'y 17, 1898
McCartney, John T.	1	Jan'y 17, 1898
Kean, John	1	Nov. 1, 1897
Johnson, Charles P.	1	Nov. 15, 1897
Kobey, Mark G.	4	Jan'y 22, 1898
Price, Edward V.	5	Oct. 16, 1897
Wadsworth, Harrison L.	5	Dec. 4, 1897
Billar, John	5	Jan'y 1, 1898
Calph, Edward S.	5	Jan'y 15, 1898
Duggan, Alex.	5	Feb'y 5, 1898
Whipple, William W.	5	April 2, 1898
Grimshaw, Howard L.	5	May 21, 1898
Marx, Louis	5	July 16, 1898
Battolph, Edwin K.	7	Dec. 11, 1897
Creswell, John	7	Dec. 25, 1897
Hubbard, Sidney B.	7	Dec. 25, 1897
Zalinger, Louis N.	7	Jan'y 22, 1898
Burnham, George A.	7	Jan'y 22, 1898
Southgate, Walter	7	Jan'y 8, 1898
Littlefield, Virgil A.	7	Jan'y 22, 1898
Bradley, Joseph	7	Feb'y 26, 1898
Corwin, James H.	7	Feb'y 26, 1898
Johnson, Peter	7	March 26, 1898
Kelsey, Van B.	7	April 23, 1898
Merritt, George N.	7	April 23, 1898
Fitzgerald, James C.	7	July 23, 1898
Timerman, John L.	7	August 27, 1898
Westover, Joseph	11	Feb'y 10, 1898
Wessell, H. H.	11	August 25, 1898
Ragle, Alonzo	13	Sept. 10, 1897
Haggerty, C. C.	13	June 24, 1898
Titley, W. L.	13	June 24, 1898
Bennett, C. E.	13	August 6, 1898
Allmon, L. J.	14	Nov. 13, 1897
Kempton, James	14	May 14, 1898
Nelson, Charles F.	15	Nov. 20, 1897
Roe, Levi A.	15	Nov. 20, 1897
Rugh, Christian	19	Nov. 3, 1897
Carpenter, Harry A.	19	Nov. 3, 1897
Bohn, George H.	19	Dec. 15, 1897
Reed, Egbert W.	19	Feb'y 2, 1898
Stardevant, Harvey F.	19	July 20, 1898
Stover, George Henry	20	Jan'y 14, 1898
Donald, Ed. D.	20	April 4, 1898
Juneman, Fred William	20	July 9, 1898
Gilbert, W. R.	22	Jan'y 1, 1898
Greerson, William	22	May 21, 1898
Ratliff, S. G.	23	
Breckel, W. J.	23	March 5, 1898
Rudusky, Max	25	July 16, 1898
Hocking, John T.	26	April 20, 1898
Ferguson, J. A.	26	May 4, 1898
Prout, James	26	June 15, 1898
Berry, James F.	27	May 21, 1898
Murphy, J. G.	28	Jan'y 18, 1898
Twist, F. H.	28	March 15, 1898
Donaldson, A. B.	28	Dec. 21, 1897
Wyatt, Joseph N.	30	April 16, 1898
Palmer, Arthur G.	30	April 4, 1897
Barkley, B. W.	31	Oct. 21, 1897
Stubbs, Charles S.	31	Jan'y 20, 1898
Douglass, James H.	31	Jan'y 20, 1898
Knight, Henry	31	Feb'y 3, 1898
Cameron, Peter	31	Feb'y 17, 1898
Lockett, H. C.	32	Sept. 22, 1897

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Scott, R. C.	32	Nov. 6, 1897
Howard, D. C.	32	Jan'y 1, 1898
Goff, Moses	32	July 30, 1898
Bayly, G. W.	33	Jan'y 1, 1898
Taliaferro, J. B.	34	August 9, 1898
Booth, John W.	35	Sept. 2, 1897
Elley, Charles F.	35	Feb'y 8, 1898
Nicholson, Norman	45	June 16, 1898
McMillan, Alexander	35	Feb'y 13, 1897
Davis, Hugh	35	Jan'y 18, 1898
Raddatz, Emil J.	37	Feb'y 19, 1898
Griffin, John	37	March 19, 1898
Scott, Peter H.	37	April 16, 1898
Goebel, Martin W.	41	Feb'y 11, 1898
Selbach, Emil A.	41	July 22, 1898
Campbell, John L.	43	Dec. 18, 1897
Gilleland, Frank	43	Dec. 18, 1897
Townsend, George A.	43	Jan'y 15, 1897
Livingston, W. W.	43	Feb'y 19, 1898
Cole, W. S.	43	April 2, 1898
Gates, P. B.	44	Oct. 21, 1897
Fynn, A. J.	44	Feb'y 3, 1898
Sims, F. E.	44	Nov. 15, 1897
Pearson, Robert	46	Nov. 4, 1897
Manzing, E.	46	July 21, 1898
Morton A. W.	46	August 18, 1898
Marsh, Edwin R.	48	Dec. 9, 1897
Smith, G. W.	49	July 14, 1898
Cunningham, D. W.	49	Nov. 25, 1897
Jones, Thomas R.	50	May 4, 1898
Hodgson, Mark	51	Jan'y 14, 1898
Beattie, Robert G.	51	Jan'y 14, 1898
Markt, Rudolph	51	Jan'y 28, 1898
Bretherton, S. E.	51	April 22, 1898
Robinson, B. A.	51	August 26, 1898
Robuck, S. B.	54	May 21, 1898
Roberts, W. H.	55	June 16, 1898
Canon, Benton	55	June 16, 1898
Viets, Cassius M.	55	July 21, 1898
Andrus, George S.	56	Oct. 13, 1897
Northway, John	56	Dec. 8, 1897
Gamble, E. L.	56	March 9, 1898
Hunter, Lewis	56	April 13, 1898
Cummings, William	57	Feb'y 12, 1898
Blades, J. W.	57	Feb'y 12, 1898
Patterson, W. J.	57	Feb'y 12, 1898
White, William D.	57	July 9, 1898
Baney, O. B.	58	Dec. 21, 1897
Murray, W. J.	58	Feb'y 15, 1898
Hanold, Labin	59	Feb'y 5, 1898
Barnes, John S.	60	March 19, 1898
Fatkins, James	61	March 24, 1898
Condit, E. C.	62	March 7, 1898
Hall, E. E.	62	Sept. 27, 1897
Pike, C. L.	62	Sept. 27, 1897
Robinson, F. W.	62	Dec. 27, 1897
Anderson, C. O.	63	Jan'y 24, 1898
Ervin, Charles C.	64	Feb'y 1, 1898
McGrath, Frank	64	Sept. 28, 1897
Snyder, George R.	64	Nov. 23, 1897
Chandler, W. A.	64	Feb'y 8, 1898
Weaver, W. B.	65	Feb'y 17, 1898
Wilbar, W. P.	66	Dec. 12, 1897
Aldrich, H. H.	68	Jan'y 21, 1898
Green, J. W.	68	Dec. 3, 1897
Thompson, T. W.	68	March 18, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Truesdale, H. S.	68	Sept. 17, 1895
Maguire, T. J.	70	Jan'y 14, 1898
Packard, W. A.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Bushinger, J. C.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Breckenridge, H. G.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Everole, E. E.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Troutfetter, L. D.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Statton, W. O.	73	Jan'y 11, 1898
Bashor, M. E.	73	March 22, 1896
Collins, James H.	73	Dec. 15, 1897
Hack, Charles	73	March 22, 1898
Elder, Charles E.	74	June 1, 1898
Pierce, J. B.	75	Feb'y 3, 1898
Corliss, J. A.	77	
Raymond, Charles W.	79	Feb'y 8, 1898
Slater, W. F.	81	Dec. 17, 1897
Peck, S. Z.	81	Dec. 17, 1897
Donovan, H. L.	81	Jan'y 7, 1898
Ellis, G. R.	81	April 15, 1898
Osborn, Daniel O.	83	March 15, 1898
Kaves, Edgar A.	84	August 18, 1898
Jacobs, Stephen W.	84	Feb'y 17, 1898
Brines, William E.	86	Dec. 3, 1897
Kooker, Robert A.	86	Dec. 17, 1897
Atwood, George N.	87	April 20, 1898
Martin, Medad C.	87	Jan'y 19, 1898
Warner, Marve E.	87	Feb'y 16, 1898
White, Joseph E.	87	Feb'y 16, 1898
Nelms, N. W.	89	March 8, 1898
George, E. D.	89	Feb'y 22, 1898
Lay, Joseph L.	89	Sept. 28, 1897
Matlock, Norris	89	Jan'y 25, 1898
Evans, Charles	91	Sept. 25, 1897
Mack, J. B.	93	Sept. 21, 1897
Barrows, R. H.	98	Dec. 7, 1897
Baber, J. D.	93	April 5, 1898
Armand, James	93	May 17, 1898
Gibb, Thomas	93	July 5, 1898
Davie, W. H. Jr.	96	May 21, 1896
White, W.	96	Dec. 17, 1896
Vance, Albert	96	May 19, 1898
Gordan, S. H.	97	Jan'y 19, 1898
Lobach, Edwin	97	Jan'y 19, 1898
Clark, Frank H.	98	Jan'y 19, 1896
Johnson, Jasper W.	98	Feb'y 2, 1898
Schwartz, Adam	98	July 6, 1898
Jacklin, D. C.	99	Dec. 14, 1897
Bass, Andrew J.	99	Jan'y 18, 1898
Card, W. S.	99	Jan'y 11, 1898
Goodall, D. F.	99	Feb'y 22, 1898
Dunlap, H. G.	101	Nov. 27, 1897
Kirkendall, L. B. C.	101	Feb'y 26, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Adams, Matt	5	Dec. 18, 1898
Albers, Ulfert	5	July 16, 1898
Bell, Fred	5	July 16, 1898
Burchie, Harrie	5	July 16, 1898
Craig, James	5	July 16, 1898
Campbell, William B.	5	July 16, 1898
Fleming, John	5	July 16, 1898
Graves, Frederick	5	July 16, 1898
Gray, Ed. S.	5	July 16, 1898
Harp, William R.	5	July 16, 1898
Holmes, John	5	July 16, 1898
Lawrence, R. G.	5	July 16, 1898
Kirby, George C.	5	July 16, 1898
McKee, William T.	5	July 16, 1898
Pence, Lafayette	5	July 16, 1898
Preston, Alfred	5	July 16, 1898
Roeder, Adolph L.	5	July 16, 1898
Spear, Albert S.	5	July 16, 1898
Stites, John	5	July 16, 1898
Westlake, Charles H.	5	July 16, 1898
Sherman, Charles E.	6	July 27, 1898
Hildebrand, Robert B.	7	Feb. 12, 1898
Burton, Alfred G.	7	August 13, 1898
Greenlee, Robert C.	7	August 13, 1898
McIntosh, Charles J.	7	August 13, 1898
McClair, William	7	August 13, 1898
Parsons, John H.	7	August 13, 1898
Poland, Ezekiel	7	August 13, 1898
Rubicam, Jonathan S.	2	August 13, 1898
Shaughnessy, James	7	August 13, 1898
Seaman, Sheridan	7	August 13, 1898
Wilcox, Stephen J.	7	August 13, 1898
Carlson, Claus E.	11	August 25, 1898
Gilbert, John	11	August 25, 1898
Hanson, August	11	August 25, 1898
Barton, William E.	12	Jan'y 22, 1898
Cornish, Nicholas D.	12	Dec. 25, 1897
McCrinmon, Malcolm	12	Jan'y 22, 1898
Thompson, Henry	12	Feb'y 12, 1898
Wells, C. L.	13	June 17, 1898
Crozier, E. M.	13	June 17, 1898
Blair, Stephen	13	June 17, 1898
Gillette, James	13	June 17, 1898
Kershaw, William	13	June 17, 1898
Barrett, Golden	13	July 15, 1898
Boyer, S. L.	13	July 15, 1898
Gostling, Charles R.	13	July 15, 1898
Muir, John W.	13	July 15, 1898
Sellers, J. M.	13	July 15, 1898
Smith, H. C.	13	July 15, 1898
Wells, J. W.	13	July 15, 1898
Boltz, David	20	May 13, 1898
McPherson, Jacob R.	20	May 13, 1898
Law, Harvey M.	20	May 13, 1898
Robbins, Charles	23	Feb'y 5, 1898
Koyl, C. H.	23	Oct. 2, 1897
Worthington, William	23	Oct. 2, 1897
Phelps, F. I.	23	Oct. 2, 1897
Laffin, Grant E.	25	August 6, 1898
Roper, J. E.	25	August 6, 1898
Mety, Eben S.	25	August 6, 1898
Peart, John	25	August 6, 1898
Schartz, Samuel B.	25	August 6, 1898
Hewitt, George	25	August 6, 1898
Thompson, James	25	August 6, 1898
McMillen, Samuel	25	August 6, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Gray, John L.	25	August 6, 1898
Hayden, W. W.	25	August 6, 1898
Brown, Richard	26	Oct. 20, 1897
Presnell, J. H.	33	Feb'y 19, 1898
Henderson, John	34	Feb'y 8, 1898
Bowdish, R. C.	35	August 8, 1898
Demarree, Frank	35	August 8, 1898
Gear, Loftus	35	August 8, 1898
Radcliffe, W. H.	36	Jan'y 18, 1898
McClelland, W. H.	44	March 3, 1898
Faulkner, W. J.	48	March 10, 1898
Pollard, O. C.	48	March 10, 1898
Sedgwick, R. A.	48	March 10, 1898
Willing, A. J.	49	August 11, 1898
Soop, Fino A.	49	August 11, 1898
McBride, Morton	49	August 11, 1898
Thomas, E. E.	49	August 11, 1898
Middleton, J. F.	49	August 11, 1898
Metcalf, George	50	August 8, 1898
McKissick, John	50	August 3, 1898
Wilson, Smith	50	August 3, 1898
Joy, Walter J.	51	April 8, 1898
Rowell, William J.	51	April 8, 1898
Greenwald, Joseph	55	March 17, 1898
Champion, Lee	57	June 23, 1898
Shanley, J. R.	57	June 23, 1898
Whitehurst, J. D.	57	June 23, 1898
Loy, George W.	59	May 17, 1898
Deane, Josiah W.	60	June 23, 1898
Peterson, Samuel	60	June 23, 1898
Varney, Andrew J.	60	June 23, 1898
Smith, Lyndon S.	60	June 23, 1898
Parker, Hiram F.	60	June 23, 1898
Williams, William	60	June 23, 1898
Sproat, George R.	60	June 23, 1898
Cress, Edward H.	60	June 23, 1898
Ford, Ellsworth	60	June 23, 1898
Bertschy, Frank P.	61	June 20, 1898
O'Hara, William J.	61	August 15, 1898
Mason, James W.	61	August 15, 1898
Perry, A. R.	61	August 15, 1898
Scharman, George	61	August 15, 1898
Summers, W. H.	61	August 15, 1898
Foots, George T.	61	August 15, 1898
Thorpe, George W.	61	August 15, 1898
Servey, George L.	61	August 15, 1898
Witter, George D.	61	August 15, 1898
Smith, William G.	61	August 15, 1898
Mahoffey, A. M.	61	August 15, 1898
Hilton, F. W.	61	August 15, 1898
Huston, J. E.	61	August 15, 1898
Udell, George V.	61	August 15, 1898
Bowery, William	61	August 15, 1898
Terrell, A. B.	61	August 15, 1898
Wilson, George	66	April 15, 1898
Edwards, David T.	66	April 15, 1898
Hanna, Robert B.	66	April 15, 1898
Lewis, A. G.	68	Jan'y 7, 1898
Curran, E. F.	68	Jan'y 7, 1898
Sterling, D. L.	68	May 20, 1898
Gillespie, J. D.	71	Jan'y 19, 1898
Moore, John W.	74	June 1, 1898
Kimball, Charles N.	74	June 1, 1898
Bonfoy, Wells R.	74	June 1, 1898
Welty, William P.	74	June 1, 1898
Smith, Fred W.	74	June 1, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Williams, Jesse	74	June 1, 1898
Parsons, Charles A.	74	June 1, 1898
Baker, C. H.	76	Feb'y 2, 1898
Cooley, John	77	August 20, 1898
Orton, O. L.	77	August 20, 1898
O'Brien, William	77	August 20, 1898
Jones, I. F.	77	August 20, 1898
Blake, Frank O.	84	June 2, 1898
Eastman, Clyde J.	84	June 2, 1898
Ewald, August	84	June 2, 1898
Hessey, William W.	84	June 2, 1898
Jorganson, A. P.	84	June 2, 1898
Lippincott, S. Garwood	84	June 2, 1898
Manna, Arnold	84	June 2, 1898
McCabe, Charles M.	84	June 2, 1898
Bartlett, Frank D.	87	May 4, 1898
Darnell, J. M.	88	Feb'y 22, 1898
Funk, O. H.	89	Sept. 11, 1897
Fisher, W. C.	89	August 23, 1898
Moore, C. A.	89	August 23, 1898
Nicholls, J. W.	89	August 23, 1898
Nash, Fred B.	89	August 23, 1898
Stowell, George E.	91	April 9, 1898
Crocker, David B.	92	August 8, 1898
Davison, John A.	92	August 8, 1898
Slack, Howard W.	92	August 8, 1898
Hassen, Arthur A. (F. C.)	92	March 28, 1898
Harria, William T.	93	April 5, 1898
Chandler, Philip N.	93	August 16, 1898
Hill, L. P.	95	August 11, 1898
Ellis, R. W.	95	August 11, 1898
Bain, William L.	94	August 11, 1898
Watkins, Clarence	97	April 20, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Hoop, Peter P.	13	Sept. 17, 1897
Williams, Hugh	18	June 17, 1898
Meuser, C. E. (F. C.)	46	Jan'y 20, 1898
Lund, Thomas B.	47	Nov. 6, 1897
Fuiler, Charles H.	47	Nov. 6, 1897
Gill, J. H.	62	April 25, 1898
Cheesebro, Edwin C.	79	Feb'y 8, 1898

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BEING OVER 60 YEARS OF AGE.

NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Bailey, Stephen	1	64	Hatten, Robert L.	5	78
Chinn, Raleigh W.	1	71	Hubbard, Robert G.	5	75
Churches, John	1	74	Hanauer, Abraham	5	68
Faraghar Robert	1	61	Johnson, Theron W.	5	66
Harrison, Duncan E.	1	69	Jacobs, Abraham	5	64
Irwin, William H.	1	65	Knight, James H.	5	60
Kelly, James	1	71	Kline, David	5	62
Kimball, Geo. Keith	1	67	Kastor, Isidor H.	5	62
Kerr, Alexander	1	73	Klock, John I.	5	62
Porter, A. A.	1	74	Kuhn, Charles E.	5	61
Reeves, Geo. W.	1	68	Kisthard, Jacob	5	63
Songer, John	1	61	Lees, Thomas	5	64
Stapp, William L.	1	60	Linton, Thomas	5	70
Stogsdale, Dan'l R.	1	61	Lewis, Charles E.	5	66
Walch, Clark C.	1	69	Langton, James C.	5	65
Sparks, O. T.	4	61	McCann, Peter	5	60
Parsons, I. M.	4	61	McDonough, John R.	5	60
Warren, T. T.	4	61	McFarquhar, John	5	72
Ratliff, J. W.	4	66	McKee, Thomas R.	5	62
Hamor, D. A.	4	60	McNamee, Allen	5	72
Mills, A.	4	71	Morris, William S.	5	62
Finley, Wm. M.	4	62	Merry, John C.	5	78
Hagar, Chas.	4	63	Mosely, Richard W.	5	64
Kline, Perry A.	4	62	Nicholls, Wm. H. J.	5	78
Tucker, A. W.	4	61	Nock, Henry	5	68
Vischer, Cornelius	4	65	Poole, Thomas E.	5	60
Anderson, Joseph	5	66	Perkins, George W.	5	71
Arnett William D.	5	71	Potter, Edwin B.	5	68
Atcheson, John	5	68	Peabody, David G.	5	64
Appel, Simon	5	68	Roberts, George T.	5	62
Avrill, August	5	62	Riggs, Joseph S.	5	74
Brewer, Gardner G.	5	61	Ross, Walter M.	5	69
Burnham, Norman G.	5	68	Reid, William	5	68
Byers, William N.	5	67	Somers, Edward	5	60
Bigler, Jacob A. J.	5	70	Stagman, Fred	5	60
Bromwell, Henry P. H.	5	75	Shay, James M.	5	60
Bond, William M.	5	67	Shaw, Charles H.	5	60
Burrows, George S.	5	63	Sinclair, George B.	5	62
Buckman, Guy	5	70	Shortridge, William T.	5	67
Berry, Barnard	5	65	Sanford, Byron	5	72
Brown, William J.	5	60	Smith Thomson L.	5	75
Cheesman, Walter S.	5	60	Schinner, Adolph	5	67
Cunningham, Howard	5	60	Smith, Samuel M.	5	64
Cooper, Henry P.	5	64	Tallman, John	5	60
Cook, Jeremiah J.	5	65	Tritch, George, Sr.	5	69
Cook, Lemuel S.	5	65	Taylor, James F.	5	65
Cordingly, William, Sr.	5	75	Walker, Ben' L.	5	62
Curran, William H.	5	64	Wickes, Charles P.	5	65
Dace, James	5	60	Whitehead, Wm. H.	5	66
Davis, Francis M.	5	62	Worden, Albert G.	5	63
Davy, Nelson M.	5	71	York, Alex. M.	5	60
Dunbar, George S.	5	72	Yonker, Jason T.	5	65
Danielson, Frank M.	5	71	Becker, Clayton F.	6	61
Daily, John L.	5	64	Barhight, Alonzo J.	6	64
Failing, Henry M.	5	65	Dunnagan, J. J.	6	65
Gray, David S.	5	70	Hawley, Henry J.	6	60
Gray, William P.	5	71	Hastie, Robert	6	68
Gove, Carlos	5	81	Hyndman, Mark B.	6	60
Haynes, James H.	5	60	Kruse, H. Jacob	6	61
Heiser, Herman H.	5	62	Lorah, Samuel I.	6	65
Henderson, John T.	5	62	Lewis, Oscar	6	63
Hurst, Joseph	5	62	Mullen, Thomas	6	75

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Perrin, Edward S.	6	74	Rhoads, Alonzo G.	7	62
Tolles, Larkin C.	6	71	Rider, Hiram C.	7	65
Teller, Henry M.	6	69	Routt, John L.	7	72
Thomas, Morris	6	70	Sanford, George H.	7	76
Alling, E. Treat	7	73	Scott, Francis M.	7	
Anthony, Scott J.	7	69	Smedley, William	7	62
Ashley, Eli M.	7	65	Smith, Pierce T.	7	62
Ashton, Alfred	7		Spaulding, John F.	7	70
Bailey, Joseph L.	7	65	Strickler, James M.	7	62
Barker, William J.	7	67	Sutton, John C.	7	75
Berkey, John M.	7	65	Taggart, Charles D.	7	64
Billings, George N.	7	62	Thompson, Charles L.	7	76
Bradbury, Cotton C.	7	76	Tynon, James S.	7	68
Bright, William H.	7	72	Vosburgh, Nathan O.	7	65
Brown, J. Sidney	7	66	Walley, John J.	7	78
Campbell, Donald W.	7	61	Weaver, Joseph L.	7	64
Cassell, William J.	7	60	Whittemore, Oliver A.	7	70
Charles, John Q.	7	76	Willoughby, Ed. A.	7	62
Collins, Edward H.	7	69	Witter, Daniel	7	71
Cook, David J.	7	62	Woodbury, Andrew J.	7	65
Crater, George E.	7	66	Woodbury, Samuel S.	7	60
Curtis, Rodney	7	60	Donald, Wm.	11	69
Dane, George	7		Graham, Peter D.	11	68
Davidson, David	7	66	Harlan, John	11	60
Donnelly, Charles	7	68	Johnson, John	11	60
Downing, Jacob	7	68	Rudolph, F. A.	11	63
Dowson, Henry	7	62	Taylor, Alex.	11	72
Durkee, Lafayette	7	61	Wright, P. B.	11	63
Elbert, Samuel H.	7	65	Boyer, Henry	12	61
Emery, Willis	7		Christie, William H.	12	76
Erdman, Fred. C.	7	64	Desch, C. S.	12	61
Fassett, Joseph W.	7	64	Jones, Jesse P.	12	60
Felker, William B.	7	61	Monti, Joshua	12	65
France, Lewis B.	7	66	Sargent, George L.	12	67
French, Selden M.	7		Sites, George L.	12	62
Gair, Peter I.	7	68	Snetzer, Jacob	12	61
Gird, Christopher C.	7	62	Ware, William W.	12	62
Hall, Frank	7	61	White, Absalom K.	12	64
Hampton, James W.	7	65	Wilson, David R.	12	64
Harris, Arthur C.	7	60	Armentrout, A.	13	61
Hill, William C.	7		Bott, Anthony	13	63
Horne, Henry	7	70	Bayne, A. J.	13	63
Hurd, Nathan S.	7	61	Bigelow, G. M.	13	65
Hutchins, Samuel A.	7	65	Courter, John	13	64
Johnston, James S.	7	77	Conger, C. W.	13	65
Krueger, Fred. H. C.	7	60	Calloway, T. J.	13	71
Kuner, Max	7	74	Finley, Robt	13	68
Ladue, Theodore F.	7	65	France, Matt	13	69
Londoner, Julius	7	66	Fuller, H. A.	13	70
Marfell, Hiram	7		Guire, D. C.	13	65
Martin, John H.	7	72	Horn, T. G.	13	66
Meyer, Ferdinand	7		Hughes, Thomas	13	62
Millean, Elisha	7	71	Holmes, Geo. F.	13	61
Morrison, John H.	7	72	Hall, L. C.	13	66
Nottleton, Timothy S.	7		Hebbard, Wm.	13	72
Norton, Samuel B.	7	76	Hormorson, W. P.	13	62
Parker, James S.	7		Lincoln, A. G.	13	70
Parkhurst, Lemuel W.	7	60	McShane, David	13	68
Patton, Thomas J.	7	67	Martin, F. L.	13	64
Pennock, Homer	7	69	Manley, W. J.	13	64
Pierce, John	7	69	Noxon, J. M.	13	62
Pitzer, Henry L.	7	65	Pulver, Milton	13	80
Pochin, Joseph L.	7	66	Parker, N. E.	13	66
Renshaw, James	7	64	Smith, E. A.	13	68

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Spellman, D.	13	64	Topping, Clark S.	15	70
Rhelder, Thos.	13	65	Thomas, Joel H.	15	61
Sagendorf, A.	13	69	Thurston, Isaac	15	62
Skinner, L. C.	18	65	Witcher, John R.	15	62
Sheldler, Wm.	13	65	Alexander, A. F.	15	61
Taintor, R. F.	13	63	Briggs, James Henry	17	64
Woodbury, E. C.	13	73	Dapp, Joseph H.	17	70
Wolf, J. S.	13	69	Erdman, Charles	17	64
Walker, Jno.	13	71	Gallup, Samuel C.	17	62
Dwinell, L. C.	13	60	Hart, Cornelius J.	17	60
Epperson, R. S.	13	60	Hensel, Levi	17	66
Kerr, J. H.	13	61	Keeling, Weldon	17	61
Klme, James	13	60	Lovern, James	17	74
Strickler, W. M.	13	60	Miller, John D.	17	63
Adams, Geo. S.	14		Morse, Henry M.	17	64
Bigger, R. A.	14		Rice, James	17	64
Budd, Sylvanus	14		Salisbury, George	17	62
Carmack, T. K.	14		Savard, Peter	17	62
Chase, Geo. F.	14		Smith, James Edward	17	62
Combs, G. W.	14		Stanton, Irving W.	17	62
Develine, J. W.	14		Zoeller, Phillip	17	66
Dowd, J. S.	14		Arthur, James B.	19	66
Emerick, A. J.	14		Armstrong, Andrew	19	75
Fairhurst, W. J.	14		Birbeall, Sylvester H.	19	62
Grund, S. C.	14		Buck, Christian M.	19	65
Hayward, D. E.	14		Buffam, Geo. W.	19	65
Jester, W. H.	14		Bennett, F. O.	19	66
Kohler, F. W.	14		Doolittle, Thomas H.	19	62
Kerr, David	14		Day, Isaac	19	71
Kimball, L. W.	14		Henderson, John W.	19	67
Mcgorden, C. H.	14		Hoag, Addison N.	19	65
McCaslin, M. L.	14		Loomis, Abner	19	69
Mayring, Henry	14		Miller, Jacob W.	19	62
McClancy, Uriah	14		Miner, William B.	19	61
Malford, J. S.	14		Stratton, Harris	19	68
McIntosh, Lem	14		Stranas, George R.	19	67
Macky, A. J.	14		Sherwood, Frederick W.	19	65
Nichols, D. H.	14		Silcott, William G.	19	61
Robinson, D. A.	14		Taylor, D. H.	19	60
Smith M. G.	14		Thomas, Nathaniel	19	62
Todd, C. D.	14		Wedbee, Benjamin F.	19	
Smith, Caleb J.	15	63	Whitcomb, Elias W.	19	65
Costlow, Joseph	15	62	Atkinson, Thomas	20	61
Clapp, Seth A.	15	71	Beetham, James	20	66
Craven, Thomas H.	15	60	Brush, Jared L.	20	62
Dryden, Adam	15	61	Childs, Francis L.	20	73
Eldred, L. E.	15	71	Carleton, Daniel H.	20	74
Gravestock, John	15	64	Cheeseman, N. F.	20	65
Hyde, James L.	15	61	Dinsmore, Thos. H.	20	60
Hodges, Joseph	15	61	Davis, Joel E.	20	67
Hunt, D. C.	15	72	Freeman, James M.	20	61
Lester, Jeff. W.	15	68	Goodan, John A.	20	60
Linn, H. W.	15	65	Hilton, Benj. W.	20	68
Lobach, Edwin	15	63	Eaton, Benj. H.	20	64
McClure, William H.	15	61	Hall, Niagara W.	20	62
Miller, Joseph N.	15	63	Hogarty, Michael J.	20	63
Nichols, Sylvester S.	15	64	Irions, John F.	20	63
Phillips, George T.	15	62	Johnson, Bruce F.	20	63
Rockafellow, Benj. F.	15	63	Johns, Rudolph H.	20	64
Rudolph, Andrew E.	15	72	Lee, Harry W.	20	63
Radd, Anson	15	79	Moore, Joseph	20	77
Richards, Richard	15	67	Messenger, Francis C.	20	86
Stafer, Benjamin F.	15	66	Macy, Thomas G.	20	63
Stover, W. H.	15	65	Merrifield, Harrison	20	60

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Pollock, William P.	20	67	Seabring, A. F.	27	63
Plumb, Ovid	20	75	Brown, S. V. B.	28	63
Randolph, Calvin	20	62	Beahar, M.	28	70
Ramsey, Allen	20	68	Cornell, G. B.	28	65
Talbot, Nathaniel H.	20	66	Collins, W. A.	28	
West, Henry T.	20	74	Hays, S. D.	28	73
Williams, Henry M.	20	63	Levy, I.	28	61
Woodbury, Joseph A.	20	66	Lenhart, M.	28	67
Wyman, Horace L.	20	67	Lawler, B. F.	28	64
Ames, L. B.	22	70	McAllister, Jas.	28	61
Bertelotte, John C.	22	66	McDonald, J. A.	28	65
Comstock, Fred.	22	77	Pearson, H. L.	28	67
Curtis, H. H.	22	68	Peters, Jno.	28	69
Jull, E.	22	60	Ramey, J. F.	28	72
Leach, H. S.	22	65	Sandford, G. R.	28	78
Markle, J. B.	22	61	South, W. L.	28	69
Manhart, Christian	22	68	Turner, L. H.	28	68
Stewart, J. J.	22	63	Taylor, D. L.	28	61
Van Deren, A. J.	22	67	Wiley, A.	28	74
Bailey, J. C.	23	68	Carttar, H. B.	30	64
Butler, Stephen	23	66	Lambert, R. L.	30	67
Blore, W. R.	23	68	Peterson, A.	30	61
Belcher, Freeman	23	65	Sizer, Warren W.	30	71
Dickson, L. H.	23	65	Jones, J. S.	30	64
Gardner, Chas.	23	66	Baty, W. C.	31	62
Herron, O. F.	23	63	Duey, Alex.	31	66
Henderson, W. S.	23	70	Fugard, Geo.	31	70
Hamlin, O. F.	23	68	George, Fred. C.	31	65
Manners, Harvey	23	88	Hutchcraft, R. W.	31	66
Newnam, E. B.	23	65	Kelker, John	31	71
Smith, L. H.	23	67	McConnell, Jas. A.	31	62
Smith, Winton	23	67	Mitchell, Thos.	31	68
Stiles, H. C.	23	70	Pochon, Jos. J.	31	68
Slifer, E. G.	23	63	Royal, Andrew	31	68
Slute, J. H.	23	67	Schrontz, S. B.	31	65
Webster, Geo.	23	65	Scott, H. W.	31	62
Zwick, Geo.	23	69	Stanchfield, James	31	68
Coffman, E. J.	23	60	Thompson, Moses L.	31	66
Stockton, T. R.	23	64	Wilson, D. M.	31	70
Hertha, John	23	62	Wormley, Fred. P.	31	69
Crozier, Edwin	25	67	Loomis, Horace J.	31	65
Hill, Chas. L.	25	69	Jewell, Jacob	31	60
Laxton, Thos.	25	63	Burt, W. B.	32	75
Lechner, George W.	25	66	Clayton, E. B.	32	62
Link, James M.	25	81	Hopkins, H. L.	32	63
Mills, Sydenham	25	71	Snyder, Wm.	32	64
Miller, David	25	68	Stow, J. S.	32	72
Walker, John Z.	25	65	White, Henry	32	66
Ingber, John	25	65	Barritt, Johnson	33	65
Winer, Adolph	25	60	Crooke, John J.	33	73
Sykes, J. W.	25	61	Davis, D. R.	33	63
Hancock, Wm.	26	60	Snowden, F. M.	33	70
Patten, Geo. A.	26	62	Cullom, Henry	34	65
Plummer, Henry	26	62	Hough, John S.	34	65
Theobald, Peter	26	67	Allan, Wm. R.	35	64
Grantham, Thomas	27	63	Barker, Fenlon G.	35	60
Hoffman, J.	27	66	Crispell, E. P.	35	75
Harnes, Wm. L.	27	61	Davis, Wm. A.	35	62
Lawther, Thos.	27	63	Greenfield, George D.	35	61
McGuire, J. S.	27	60	Kahn, Marx	35	62
Patterson, J. D.	27	60	Morse, R. Q.	35	65
Provance, J. B.	27	67	Mc'oy, Wm. W.	35	62
Quillian, A. H.	27		McKenzie, Robert S.	35	62
Spruill, Thos.	27	64	Smith, A. A.	35	69

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Vulpins, Herman	35	60	Walker, Charles A.	47	61
Warren, J. W.	35	66	Collins, Russell J.	48	69
Kahn, Isaac	35	62	Edmonds, Robt. E.	48	61
Johnson, David	35	66	Hart, Z. E.	48	66
Matthews, Chas. G.	36	68	McLyman, I. L.	48	64
Corbett, Miles S.	37	62	Parmelee, Ed. C.	48	63
Copp, Henry	37	67	Pollard, Chas. W.	48	63
Drummond, James A.	37	61	Phillips, John F.	48	64
Ohwiler, J.	37	66	Robeson, Solomon	48	67
Scott, J. F.	37	84	Cook, David N.	49	75
Watson, S. S.	37	60	Fletcher, W. W.	49	72
Ward, Christopher A.	37	71	Harpet, Henry	49	68
Decker, W. T.	38	65	Logan, Henry	49	74
Rising, A. J.	38	68	Montrose, C. A.	49	80
Woodside, Wm.	38	69	Wade, S. W.	49	83
Jackson, L. F.	38	64	Parcel, A. K.	49	61
Beck, Henry E.	39	63	Marks, M. J.	49	61
Getchell, Marshall P.	39	61	Maine, Wm. H.	49	60
Grammuck, Louis	39	61	Cole, J. E.	49	60
Hammond, Charles M.	39	69	Angove, Wm.	50	64
Hatch, E. C.	39	66	Howell, W. R.	50	64
Pomeroy, Hiram	39	64	Van Valkenburgh, R. J.	50	75
Parlin, John T.	39	63	DeLay, Robt. L.	51	64
Unruh, Daniel	39	62	Goddard, L. M.	51	60
Brohm, Otto	41	62	Hayden, Chas.	51	62
Candler, Adolf	41	72	Johnson, W. R.	51	63
Fertig, Jno. Thomas	41	68	Mater, Chas.	51	63
Giesecke, Albert	41	79	Salzman, Abner C.	51	72
Karcher, J. B.	41	69	Stockton, C. C.	51	64
Wildersin, Bernard	41	70	Wheat, Lysander B.	51	67
Zang, Philip	41	72	Benson, A. B.	53	62
Chase, A. E.	42	72	Bean, W. A.	53	68
Webster, D. B.	42	65	Chadbourne, H.	53	62
Tucker, W. C.	42	60	Smith, O.	53	74
Mooberry, David	43	69	Chapman, V.	53	74
Gilbert, Elias	43	61	Cox, R. S.	53	61
Love, John W.	43	61	Wynkoop, John	54	61
Pim, T. F.	44	72	King, J. M.	54	74
Willie, G. A.	44	62	Gard, S. W.	54	69
Schultz, Jas.	44	62	Cramer, Joseph	54	85
Bechus, Henry	44	62	Sherman, H. C.	54	67
Thomas, Jasper	44	61	Taylor, B. M.	54	70
Newton, O. R.	44	64	Barnhouse, T. E.	55	67
Rogers, D. J.	44	67	Grout, A. C.	55	65
Stokes, C.	45	75	Lane, S. G.	55	63
Thompson, H. C.	45	65	Rich, Franklin	55	63
Wallace George	45	72	Nelson, J. H.	55	62
Tevia, A. H.	45	61	Bowers, J. H.	55	60
Ives, John N.	45	61	Bailey, W. J.	55	64
Newton, Dawson	45	61	Freeman, W. H.	57	68
Biges, J. J.	46	65	Harrington, O. E.	57	63
Dudley, C. E.	46	63	VanMeter, S.	57	61
Dustin, C. L.	46	66	Evans, R. C.	58	66
Graham, John T.	46	68	Phillips, Albert	59	78
Hilliker, C. M.	46	67	Daigre, Henry	59	66
Lewis, A. R.	46	68	Strange, S. L.	59	66
McIntyre, Donald	46	65	Martin, F. L.	59	65
Mullin, L.	46	80	Muir, John W.	60	70
Will, F. J.	46	71	Fagan, William	60	67
Zeller, I.	46	64	Price, Thos. D.	61	60
Price, J. G.	46	67	Freeman, J. J.	61	61
Carter, Ed.	47	65	Gorton, Wm.	61	61
Ellwood, H. H.	47	68	Lounsberry, Horace	61	74
Roby, John S.	47	68	Moody, R. H.	61	66

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Ross, James B.	61	65	Lyne, John S.	76	64
Smallwood, James	61	73	Swisher, D. J.	76	60
Wilson, Walter	61	66	Williams, J. C.	78	72
Moses, Elmer	61	67	Doyle, W. H.	79	65
Crotser, W. H.	62	69	Hull, W. L.	79	64
Worth, L. W.	62	66	Petherbridge, C. L.	79	61
Hastings, W. M.	62	62	Robinson, J. F.	79	70
Sharp, John	63	65	Thompson, Julius	79	61
Hotchkiss, Preston	63	65	Coon, M.	80	68
Gehr, Paul	63	65	Pierce, R.	80	73
Foxworthy, A.	64	78	Blakeley, G. F.	81	67
Lyon, S. R.	64	70	West, A. B.	81	63
Parker, Geo. W.	64	60	Dunkin, Michael	82	66
Wood, Jno. T.	64	67	Hill, B. B.	82	64
Watt, W. A.	64	63	Stryker, C. V.	83	60
Kendrick, Thos.	65	68	Newell, W. T.	83	70
Stees, Reuben	65	71	Ferguson, Horace	83	69
Wood, Seth H.	65	71	Mills, W. L.	83	66
Watson, Joseph M.	65	69	Harris, Geo. M.	83	62
Monroe, Marcellus	65	64	Blair, Chas. H.	84	62
Tabor, Geo. H.	65	63	Fries, Thomas J.	84	62
Barnes, M. E.	67	60	Lehman, Charles W.	84	63
Dillon, M.	68	72	Ryder, Wm. B.	84	66
Barker, E. P.	68	74	Stephens, Joseph N.	84	61
Nichols, E. E.	68	68	McGuire, Joseph H.	84	61
Briggs, G. W.	69	63	Woodworth, Henry C.	84	71
Dickerson, Wm.	69	71	Cooper, Ephriam	86	63
McNeil, H. F.	69	68	Farrell, Peter	86	64
Newell, J. S.	69	64	Fuller, Flavius J.	86	60
Gillespie, Geo.	70	65	Hinckley, Wm. W.	86	60
Blust, John	71	68	Holly, Benjamin W.	86	65
Coston, Alonzo M.	71	70	Kennedy, Silas S.	86	61
Hendrie, Isaac	71	68	Lewis, George F.	86	60
Hays, Wm. R.	71	73	Stewart, Harvey	86	62
Lawver, Wm.	71	77	McDonald, Orrison B.	86	63
McKee, Hugh J.	71	70	Zell, J. F.	86	61
Parriah, E. M.	71	66	Armstrong, Jesse M.	87	72
Pettys, Walter	71	78	Grissom, Eugene	87	66
Blackmore, Geo. L.	73	64	Monahan, Deane	87	62
Botkin, C. D.	73	69	Nesmith, John W.	87	63
Boutwell, L.	73	71	Misemer, W. B.	88	76
Derbyshire, C. A.	73	68	Kornman, Andrew	90	66
Stafford, G. J.	73	63	VanDeren, J. M.	91	65
Warburton, G. S.	73	62	Jenkins, Wm. D.	91	70
Bagley, George	74	73	Fulton, John C.	92	60
Clark, George H.	74	73	Hester, William R.	92	62
Jones, William C.	74	65	Lyman, George E.	92	65
Little, William	74	63	Calph, Ed. S.	93	62
Clark, William P.	75	71	Hervey, S. O.	93	61
Potter, James W.	75	68	Crawford, J. W.	93	65
Burson, Thomas J.	75	66	Stone, Moses	93	63
Russell, Asahel	75	67	Rinehart, J. R.	93	75
Badger, Milton	75	66	Hixon, J. B.	93	68
Denton, William C.	75	66	Risley, J. P.	93	60
Hyde, Elias	75	85	Minor, J.	93	63
Tourtellotte, J. D.	75	64	Chapman, J. A. J.	94	76
Robins, Charles W.	75	65	Dunlap, B. H.	94	61
Gerbring, Gustave T.	75	61	Whitehead, A. H.	94	63
Osborne, George McD.	75	60	Lewis, John	95	66
Bennett, Wm. G.	76	70	Harcourt, Charles	96	69
George, Alvah	76	63	Kellogg, Henry	96	68
Godfrey, Clark R.	76	67	Squires, W. B.	96	65
Greenough, Roger	76	62	Sergeant, Ellis	96	73
Kline, D. C.	76	65	Trevarrow, Wm.	96	64

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NAME	LODGE	AGE	NAME	LODGE	AGE
Fuller, Williard M.	96	70	Coston, C. M.	100	60
Walters, J. W.	97	72	Rush, Jas. M., Sr.	100	78
Chatfield, Isaac W.	98	61	Mattingly, J. J.	101	64
McMurray, James	98	61	Smith, David	102	75
Mooney, Simon	98	60	Coburn, Watson S.	102	60
Rollins, B. C.	98	66	Hammond, Henry J.	102	60
Shilling, Isaac W.	98	69	Foster, Chas. R.	103	65
Crawford, A. S.	99	60	Buckley, Rubin R.	103	70
Johnson, Jasper W.	99	60	Abrams, Henry	108	68

TABULAR STATEMENT
OF WORK OF LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1898.

LODGE	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinitiated	Died	Discontinued	Expelled	Exempt	Members 1897	Members 1898	WORSHIPFUL MASTER	SECRETARY
Golden City	1	4	2	1	1	3	1	5	15	15	67	65	Wm. H. Curry	Geo. K. Kimball
Nevada	4	3	9	3	7	4	1	1	1	1	47	48	O. T. Sparks	J. H. Nankervis
Denver	5	8	9	7	7	4	2	8	9	9	544	530	Henry P. Steele	James C. Johnston
Central	6	10	10	7	4	4	2	30	14	14	62	70	William H. Parontean	Samuel I. Loran
Union	7	8	9	9	9	2	10	11	81	81	523	508	John B. Hunter	Henry W. Hannum
Blackhawk	11	10	9	9	9	2	10	11	7	7	44	50	James P. Richards	F. A. Rudolph
Washington	12	10	9	9	9	2	10	11	11	11	63	65	Samuel Hardy	Henry H. Nash
El Paso	13	15	13	13	19	1	4	12	2	39	278	289	Frank R. Van Meter	Claude H. Grimes
Columbia	14	4	4	4	3	5	6	2	2	27	213	212	A. T. Henry, Jr.	C. C. Bromley
Mount Moriah	15	2	2	3	3	5	2	2	2	16	138	162	Joseph T. Little	Henry L. Price
Fuelio	17	4	5	5	5	2	1	1	1	137	180	137	William W. Cooper	Alderson D. Wadhams
Collins	19	4	4	2	4	2	2	3	3	21	169	169	Thaddeus A. Gage	John E. Davidson
Occidental	20	15	15	15	6	2	2	3	3	31	111	126	William H. Thompson	Sharon Adkinson
Western	22	2	2	2	1	5	4	2	4	10	40	38	W. H. Cobb	R. W. Candler
St. Vrain	23	7	5	5	5	3	2	4	4	21	114	114	Geo. E. Smith	C. F. Bartell
Dorie	25	3	3	3	3	1	4	1	10	11	60	55	Jacob Adler	J. W. Sykes
Idaho Springs	26	3	3	3	3	1	2	3	1	4	72	68	Frederick A. Moss	Oscar Lachmann
Huerfano	27	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	10	6	59	68	James R. Killian	James Hill
Las Animas	28	10	6	5	4	4	1	2	18	5	322	125	Edwin B. Frank	John Humphreys
King Solomon	30	4	4	4	4	1	3	2	5	3	34	42	Frank F. Harbourn	John A. Murphy
South Pueblo	31	9	10	11	12	3	2	5	18	6	160	179	Thomas Thompson	William Peach
Oliver Branch	32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	52	32	George W. Keesey	Lee Fairbanks
San Juan	33	3	3	4	4	1	1	1	4	4	78	83	D. Umbell	W. M. Montgomery
Crystal Lake	34	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	35	38	38	W. A. Allen	J. F. Steinbeck
Ionic	35	4	3	3	3	7	1	1	14	134	134	137	R. A. Cruikshank	Lutian Q. Hobbs
Rosita	36	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	15	15	14	James Shanks	Chas. G. Matthews
Ouray	37	18	18	12	2	1	1	3	7	99	108	108	Wallace B. Alexander	Chas. A. Spierber
Silver Cliff	38	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	4	24	27	27	Monroe Decker	Will J. Orange
Gunnison	39	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	8	72	72	72	O. H. Aikine	John A. Steele
Pitkin	40	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	14	14	John F. Chrystal	Louis M. Vance

TABULAR STATEMENT—CONTINUED.
OF WORK OF LODGES FOR YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1898.

LODGE	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Died	Dismissed	Suspended	Expelled	Exempt	Members 1897	Members 1898	WORSHIPFUL MASTER	SECRETARY
Monte Vista	73	1	1	1	1	—	—	9	—	—	6	54	47	W. R. Carter	B. F. Ayres
Akron	74	1	1	2	2	—	—	1	7	—	9	47	48	David Shonard	Creed F. Middlecoff
St. Johns	75	2	2	2	4	—	—	1	—	—	11	62	67	Wm. B. Gobin	Karl S. Miller
Colorado City	76	4	4	4	5	—	1	—	—	—	7	65	72	Chas. N. Snyder	Wm. L. England
Burlington	77	2	4	4	5	—	—	1	—	—	—	23	20	D. H. Jones	Wm. M. Long
Brighton	78	3	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	40	L. A. Stotland	Fred. O. Pearce
Rico	79	6	6	4	1	6	1	1	—	1	1	60	67	Edward J. Deis	Ellery W. Hunt
Rio Blanco	80	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	28	29	S. P. Wear	W. H. Clark
Holyoke	81	2	3	4	2	—	1	4	—	—	2	34	35	F. M. Smith	C. B. Adair
Carbondale	82	3	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	33	37	James W. Zimmerman	William L. Girdner
Berthoud	83	3	2	2	2	—	—	1	—	—	5	44	45	Chas. R. Blackwell	Arthur F. Brown
Temple	84	6	6	5	9	—	2	2	8	—	7	175	176	George Daniel	Clay M. Van
Highlands	85	12	10	10	8	—	—	2	—	—	10	108	108	Edwin H. Snyder	Luther H. Wenzel, Jr.
Oriental	86	16	16	17	6	—	—	4	—	—	4	163	183	Fred. W. Parks	John W. Mackie
Yampa	88	6	8	8	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	23	31	E. B. Darnell	Humphrey Jones
Trinidad	89	6	7	6	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	91	94	Leo. R. Gottlieb	F. R. Wood
Lamar	90	11	8	5	—	—	1	4	5	—	—	50	54	Wally C. Gould	James B. Traxler
Lafayette	91	2	2	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	31	31	John B. Fisher	W. H. Bittner
Rob Morris	92	11	9	6	6	—	1	3	—	—	3	88	96	James Higson	Charles H. Watkins
South Denver	93	7	8	6	3	—	—	5	2	—	8	71	73	J. C. Graham	F. C. Rugg
Amethyst	94	8	4	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	3	44	51	Finley Frazer	Clark W. Roe
Silver State	95	13	11	9	1	—	2	—	3	—	1	88	93	J. H. H. Low	Myrve D. Paunbacker
Mt. Pisgah	96	8	9	6	5	1	2	3	—	—	6	116	123	J. C. McCreery	Geo. L. Killian
Fremont	97	9	9	9	8	—	1	—	—	—	1	54	67	S. C. Stover	Charles Harcourt
Hiram	98	7	6	5	7	—	—	3	—	—	5	74	74	Frank M. Yates	Chas. W. Stringfield
Victor	99	16	15	17	10	—	—	4	—	—	2	91	114	Geo. J. Backfinger	J. S. Sheppard
Manitou	100	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	22	22	Andrew T. Samson	Newton W. Sampson
Platteau	101	8	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	28	28	Wm. Dittman	Howard L. Fairall
Mt. Lamborn	102	2	2	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	1	14	14	Newton M. Heistand	Paul E. Kennedy
Vulcan	103	9	11	10	5	—	—	—	—	—	3	12	26	Chas. N. Kinney	E. M. Ferdeu
Tejon	UD	1	1	1	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	W. W. Williamson	L. L. Johnson

TABULAR STATEMENT—CONCLUDED.

RECAPITULATION.

Number chartered previous to this session.....	103	Raised	371
Number vacant	12	Admitted	285
Number at work	91	Reinstated	51
Number making returns	91	Died	82
Number represented	89	Dimitted	184
Number chartered this session	1	Suspended	164
Total number chartered	104	Expelled	6
Initiated	424	Present membership	7605
Passed	394	Net gain	271
		Exempt	783

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters.	Postoffice.
HENRY MOORE TELLER (6).....	Central City
ARCHIBALD J. VAN DERAN (22).....	Denver
OREN HARRISON HENRY (14).....	Denver
CHASE WITHROW (11).....	Central City
HARPER M. ORAHOD (11).....	Denver
CORNELIUS JOSEPH HART (17).....	Pueblo
ROGER WILLIAMS WOODBURY (86).....	Denver
BYRON L. CARR (23).....	Longmont
LAWRENCE NICHOLS GREENLEAF (5).....	Denver
FRANK CHURCH (5).....	Denver
ANDREW SAGENDORF (13).....	Denver
JAMES HAMILTON PEABODY (15).....	Canon City
ALBERT H. BRANCH (35).....	Denver
GEORGE KEITH KIMBALL (1).....	Golden
WILLIAM DAVID TODD (7).....	Denver
WILLIAM THEOPHILUS BRIDWELL (15).....	Canon City
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (84).....	Denver
JOHN MILLS MAXWELL (51).....	Leadville
WILLIAM D. WRIGHT (84).....	Denver
JETHRO C. SANFORD (46).....	Durango
WILLIAM L. BUSH (26).....	Idaho Springs
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (7).....	Denver
GEORGE W. ROE (93).....	Pueblo
CROMWELL TUCKER (5).....	Denver
 Past Deputy Grand Masters.	
OLIVER A. WHITTEMORE (7).....	Denver
FRANCIS L. CHILDS (20) †.....	Greeley

* Died October 4, 1898.

† Died September 26 1898.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES.

LODGE	No.	POST-OFFICE	COUNTY
Akron	74	Akron	Washington.
Alamosa	44	Alamosa	Conejos.
Amethyst	94.	Amethyst	Mineral.
Berthoud	88	Berthoud	Larimer.
Black Hawk	11	Black Hawk	Gilpin.
Boulder	45	Boulder	Boulder.
Breckenridge	47	Breckenridge	Summit.
Brighton	78	Brighton	Arapahoe.
Burlington	77	Burlington	Kit Carson.
Carbondale	82	Carbondale	Garfield.
Central	6	Central City	Gilpin.
Collins	19	Fort Collins	Larimer.
Colorado City	76	Colorado City	El Paso.
Columbia	14	Boulder	Boulder.
Corinthian	42	Kokomo	Summit.
Crested Butte	58	Crested Butte	Gunnison.
Crystal Lake	34	Lake City	Hinsdale.
Delta	62	Delta	Delta.
Denver	5	Denver	Arapahoe.
Doric	25	Fairplay	Park.
Durango	46	Durango	La Plata.
Eagle	43	Red Cliff	Eagle.
Egeria (U. D.)	---	Yampa	Routt.
El Paso	13	Colorado Springs	El Paso.
Euclid	64	La Junta	Otero.
Eureka	66	Coal Creek	Fremont.
Fremont	97	Florence	Fremont.
Garfield	50	Erie	Weld.
Georgetown	48	Georgetown	Clear Creek.
Glenwood	65	Glenwood Springs	Garfield.
Golden City	1	Golden	Jefferson.
Granada	72	Granada	Prowers.
Gunnison	39	Gunnison	Gunnison.
Harmony	61	Denver	Arapahoe.
Highlands	86	Denver	Arapahoe.
Hiram	98	Aspen	Pitkin.
Holyoke	81	Holyoke	Phillips.
Huerfano	27	Walsenburg	Huerfano.
Idaho Springs	26	Idaho Springs	Clear Creek.
Ionic	35	Leadville	Lake.
King Solomon	30	Las Animas	Bent.
Lafayette	91	Lafayette	Boulder.
Lamar	90	Lamar	Prowers.
Las Animas	28	Trinidad	Las Animas.
La Veta	59	La Veta	Huerfano.
Leadville	51	Leadville	Lake.
Logan	70	Julesburg	Sedgwick.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES.—CONCLUDED.

LODGE	No.	Post-Office	COUNTY
Loveland	53	Loveland	Larimer.
Mancos	100	Mancos	Montezuma.
Manitou	68	Manitou	El Paso.
Mesa	55	Grand Junction	Mesa.
Monte Vista	73	Monte Vista	Rio Grande.
Montrose	63	Montrose	Montrose.
Mount Lamborn	102	Hotchkiss	Delta.
Mount Moriah	15	Canon City	Fremont.
Mount Pisgah	76	Cripple Creek	El Paso.
Mount Princeton	49	Buena Vista	Chaffee.
Nevada	4	Bald Mountain	Gilpin.
Oasis	67	Fort Morgan	Morgan.
Occidental	20	Greeley	Weld.
Olive Branch	32	Saguache	Saguache.
Oriental	87	Denver	Arapahoe.
Ouray	37	Ouray	Ouray.
Pitkin	40	Pitkin	Gunnison.
Plateau	101	Mesa	Mesa.
Pueblo	17	Pueblo	Pueblo.
Rico	79	Rico	Dolores.
Rio Blanco	80	Meeker	Rio Blanco.
Rob Morris	92	Denver	Arapahoe.
Rosita	36	Rosita	Custer.
St. John's	75	Rocky Ford	Otero.
St. Vrain	23	Longmont	Boulder.
Salida	57	Salida	Chaffee.
San Juan	33	Silverton	San Juan.
Schiller	41	Denver	Arapahoe.
Silver Cliff	38	Silver Cliff	Custer.
Silver State	95	Pueblo	Pueblo.
South Denver	93	Denver	Arapahoe.
South Pueblo	31	Pueblo	Pueblo.
Spar	60	Aspen	Pitkin.
Sterling	54	Sterling	Logan.
Tejon	104	Colorado Springs	El Paso.
Temple	84	Denver	Arapahoe.
Telluride	56	Telluride	San Miguel.
Trinidad	89	Trinidad	Las Animas.
Tyrion (U. D.)	—	Del Norte	Rio Grande.
Union	7	Denver	Arapahoe.
Victor	99	Victor	El Paso.
Vulcan	103	Hooper	Costilla.
Washington	12	Georgetown	Clear Creek.
Weston	22	Littleton	Arapahoe.
Windsor	69	New Windsor	Weld.
Wray	71	Wray	Yuma.
Yampa	88	Craig	Routt.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF POST-OFFICES.

POST-OFFICE	LODGE No.	POST-OFFICE	LODGE No.
Akron	74	Hooper	103
Alamosa	41	Hotchkiss	102
Amethyst	94	Idaho Springs	26
Aspen	60-98	Julesburg	70
Bald Mountain	4	Kokomo	42
Berthoud	83	Lafayette	91
Blackhawk	11	La Junta	64
Boulder	14-45	Lake City	34
Breckenridge	47	Lamar	90
Brighton	78	Las Animas	30
Buena Vista	49	La Veta	59
Burlington	77	Leadville	35-51
Canon City	15	Littleton	22
Carbondale	82	Longmont	23
Central City	6	Loveland	53
Coal Creek	66	Mancos	100
Colorado City	76	Manitou	68
Colorado Springs	13-104	Meeker	80
Craig	88	Mesa	101
Crested Butte	58	Monte Vista	73
Cripple Creek	96	Montrose	63
Delta	62	New Windsor	69
Del Norte	(U. D.)	Ouray	37
	5-7-41	Pitkin	40
Denver	61-84-86	Pueblo	17-31-95
	87-92-93	Red Cliff	43
Durango	46	Rico	79
Erie	50	Rocky Ford	75
Fairplay	25	Rosita	36
Florence	97	Saguache	32
Fort Collins	19	Salida	57
Fort Morgan	67	Silver Cliff	38
Georgetown	12-48	Silverton	33
Glenwood Springs	65	Sterling	54
Golden	1	Telluride	56
Granada	72	Trinidad	28-89
Grand Junction	55	Victor	99
Greeley	20	Walsenburg	27
Gunnison	39	Wray	71
Holyoke	81	Yampa	(U. D.)

STATISTICAL TABLE
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Golden City.....	1	Golden	February 18, 1860	October 17, 1860	First and Third Thursdays
Summit.....	2	Parkville		June 5, 1861	Extinct
Rocky Mountain.....	3	Gold Hill		June 5, 1861	Extinct
Nevada.....	4	Bald Mountain	December 22, 1860	December 11, 1861	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Denver.....	5	Denver	October 24, 1861	December 11, 1861	First and Third Saturdays
Central.....	6	Central City	September 30, 1861	December 11, 1861	Second and Fourth Wednesdays
Montana.....	7	Central City	April 6, 1863	Not Chartered	
Union.....	8	Denver		November 3, 1863	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Empire.....	9	Empire	November 26, 1864	November 6, 1865	Extinct
Montana.....	10	Virginia City, Mon.	April 20, 1865	November 7, 1865	Now No. 2, Montana
Helena City.....	11	Helena City, Mon.	July 18, 1865	November 7, 1865	Now No. 3, Montana
Black Hawk.....	12	Black Hawk	February 15, 1866	October 1, 1866	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Georgetown.....	13	Georgetown		October 7, 1867	Second and Fourth Saturdays
El Paso.....	14	Colorado Springs	January 27, 1866	October 8, 1867	Second and Fourth Fridays
Columbia.....	15	Boulder	December 17, 1866	October 8, 1867	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Mount Moriah.....	16	Canon City	December 11, 1867	October 6, 1868	First and Third Saturdays
Wyoming.....	17	Valmont	January 13, 1868	Not Chartered	
Germania.....	18	Cheyenne, Wyo.	February 22, 1868	October 6, 1868	Now No. 1, Wyoming
Pueblo.....	19	Denver	February 22, 1868	Not Chartered	Second and Fourth Mondays
Laramie.....	20	Pueblo	April 5, 1868	October 6, 1868	Now No. 2, Wyoming
Collins.....	21	Laramie, Wyo.	January 31, 1870	September 28, 1870	First and Third Wednesdays
Occidental.....	22	Fort Collins	May 29, 1870	September 26, 1871	Second and Fourth Fridays
Argenta.....	23	Greeley	November 8, 1871	September 26, 1871	Now No. 3, Utah
St. Vrain.....	24	Salt Lake City	April 1, 1872	September 24, 1872	First and Third Saturdays
Ashtab.....	25	Littleton	March 22, 1872	September 24, 1872	Not Reported
Doric.....	26	Longmont	June 27, 1872	Not Chartered	
Huachuca Springs.....	27	Colorado Springs	September 8, 1873	September 30, 1874	Now No. 4, Wyoming
Huerfano.....	28	Evansston, Wyo.	September 8, 1873	September 30, 1874	First and Third Wednesdays
Las Animas.....	29	Fairplay	January 18, 1874	September 21, 1875	First and Third Saturdays
Del Norte.....	30	Idaho Springs	July 16, 1874	September 21, 1875	Extinct
King Solomon.....		Walsenburg	August 25, 1874	September 21, 1875	
		Trinidad	March 17, 1875	September 21, 1875	
		Del Norte	September 7, 1876	September 20, 1876	
		Las Animas	February 7, 1876	September 20, 1876	

STATISTICAL TABLE.—CONTINUED.
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
South Pueblo	31	Pueblo	March 17, 1876	September 20, 1876	First and Third Thursdays
Olive Branch	32	Saguache	April 29, 1876	Not Chartered	Saturday, on or before full moon
Olive Branch	32	Saguache	March 10, 1877	September 18, 1877	Not Used
San Juan	33	Silverton	July 30, 1877	Not Used	First and Third Saturdays
San Juan	34	Silverton	September 27, 1877	September 18, 1878	Second Tuesday
Crystal Lake	35	Lake City	February 19, 1878	October 26, 1878	First and Third Thursdays
Ionic	36	Rosita	March 12, 1878	September 17, 1879	First and Third Thursdays
Ionic	37	Rosita	April 8, 1879	September 17, 1879	First and Third Thursdays
Ouray	38	Ouray	April 18, 1879	September 22, 1880	First and Third Thursdays
Silver Cliff	39	Silver Cliff	May 1, 1880	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Gunnison	40	Gunnison	January 10, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Fridays
Pitkin	41	Denver	February 13, 1881	September 21, 1881	First and Third Tuesdays
Schiller	42	Kokomo	April 16, 1881	September 21, 1881	First and Third Saturdays
Corinthian	43	Red Cliff	April 20, 1881	September 21, 1881	First and Third Thursdays
Eagle	44	Alamosa	May 14, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Wednesdays
Alamosa	45	Boulder	June 26, 1881	November 1, 1881	First and Third Thursdays
Boulder	46	Durango	July 2, 1881	September 20, 1882	First and Third Thursdays
Durango	47	Breckenridge	August 27, 1881	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Breckenridge	48	Georgetown	November 26, 1881	September 20, 1882	First and Third Thursdays
Georgetown	49	Buena Vista	January 2, 1882	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Mount Princeton	50	Erie	January 2, 1882	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Garfield	51	Leadville	March 22, 1882	September 18, 1883	Second and Fourth Fridays
Leadville	52	Leadville	August 18, 1882	September 18, 1883	Extinct
Tin Cup	53	Tin Cup	April 17, 1883	September 18, 1883	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Loveland	54	Loveland	May 26, 1883	September 18, 1883	First and Third Tuesdays
Sterling	55	Sterling	June 18, 1883	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Mesa	56	Grand Junction	August 19, 1883	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Telluride	57	Telluride	September 3, 1883	September 17, 1884	Every Tuesday
Salida	58	Salida	November 26, 1883	September 17, 1884	First and Third Saturdays
Crested Butte	59	Crested Butte	November 26, 1884	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
La Veta	60	La Veta	March 7, 1884	September 17, 1884	First and Third Mondays
Spar	61	Aspen	February 6, 1884	September 16, 1885	Second and Fourth Mondays
Harmony	62	Denver	June 23, 1884	September 16, 1885	Second and Fourth Mondays
Delta		Delta	September 23, 1884		

STATISTICAL TABLE—CONTINUED.
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	NO.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Montrose	63	Montrose	March	September 16, 1885	First and Third Tuesdays
Euclid	64	La Junta	May	September 16, 1885	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Glenwood	65	Glenwood Springs	December	September 21, 1887	First and Third Thursdays
Eureka	66	Coal Creek	January	September 21, 1887	First and Third Thursdays
Oasis	67	Fort Morgan	April	September 21, 1887	First and Third Fridays
Manitou	68	Manitou	June	September 21, 1887	First and Third Fridays
Windsor	69	New Windsor	June	September 21, 1887	First and Third Tuesdays
Logan	70	Julesburg	March	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Fridays
Wray	71	Wray	May	September 18, 1888	First and Third Wednesdays
Granada	72	Granada	July	September 18, 1888	Saturday, on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter
Monte Vista	73	Monte Vista	July	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Akron	74	Akron	November	September 18, 1888	First and Third Wednesdays
St. Johns	75	Rocky Ford	February	September 18, 1888	First and Third Thursdays
Colorado City	76	Colorado City	May	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Burlington	77	Burlington	May	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Brighton	78	Brighton	December	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Rico	79	Rico	October	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Rio Blanco	80	Meeker	March	September 16, 1890	First and Third Fridays
Holyoke	81	Holyoke	April	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Carbondale	82	Carbondale	May	September 16, 1890	First and Third Wednesdays
Berthoud	83	Berthoud	May	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Temple	84	Denver	July	September 15, 1891	First and Third Thursdays
Acacia	85	Colorado Springs	August	September 15, 1891	Extinct
Highlands	86	Denver	November	September 15, 1891	First and Third Fridays
Oriental	87	Denver	June	September 15, 1891	First and Third Wednesdays
Yampa	88	Craig	March	September 16, 1892	First and Third Mondays
Trinidad	89	Trinidad	May	September 20, 1892	First and Third Tuesdays
Lamar	90	Lamar	February	September 20, 1892	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Lafayette	91	Lafayette	February	September 20, 1892	Second and Fourth Mondays
Rob Morris	92	Denver	October	September 20, 1893	First and Third Tuesdays
South Denver	93	Denver	February	September 20, 1893	First and Third Mondays
Amethyst	94	Amethyst	March	September 20, 1893	First and Third Thursdays
Silver State	95	Pueblo	April	September 20, 1893	Second and Fourth Thursdays

STATISTICAL TABLE—CONCLUDED.
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	Postoffice	Dispensation	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Mount Pisgah	96	Cripple Creek	July 3, 1893	September 20, 1893	First and Third Thursdays
Fremont	97	Florence	March 27, 1894	September 19, 1894	First and Third Wednesdays
Hiram	98	Aspen	December 29, 1895	September 17, 1895	First and Third Wednesdays
Victor	99	Victor	August 2, 1895	September 17, 1895	 Every Tuesday
Mancos	100	Mancos	July 3, 1895	September 16, 1895	 First and Third Tuesdays
Plateau	101	Mesa	March 10, 1896	September 16, 1896	 Second and Fourth Saturdays
Mount Lamborn	102	Hatch	October 14, 1896	September 22, 1897	 First and Third Saturdays
Vulcan	103	Hooper	June 5, 1897	September 22, 1897	 Second and Fourth Saturdays
Tejon	104	Colorado Springs	December 10, 1897	September 21, 1898	 First and Third Wednesdays
Tyrian	U. D.	Del Norte	May 10, 1898		 First and Third Saturdays
Egeria	U. D.	Yampa	July 29, 1898		 Second and Fourth Mondays

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO, AUGUST 2, A. L. 5361.

WHEN	WHERE HELD	GRAND MASTERS	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS	GRAND TREASURERS	GRAND SECRETARIES
1891, Aug.	Golden	*Chivington, J. M.	*Robbins, Sam N.	*Ewing, James	*Holt, J. M.	*Carter, Eli	Whittemore, O. A.
1891, Dec.	Denver	*Chivington, J. M.	*Mason, Andrew	*Proulx, Paris S.	*White, Marcus C.	*Brown, O. B.	Whittemore, O. A.
1892, Nov.	Central	*Weston, Allyn	*White, Marcus C.	*VanDeren, John M.	*Sopris, Richard	*Brown, O. B.	Whittemore, O. A.
1893, Nov.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*VanDeren, Arch J.	*Brown, Olph't B.	*West, Joshua H.	*Fraser, L. W.	Whittemore, O. A.
1894, Nov.	Central	*VanDeren, Arch J.	*Brown, Olph't B.	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Giestow, Chase	*Chase, L. W.	Whittemore, O. A.
1895, Oct.	Denver	*Mason, Andrew	*Brown, Olph't B.	*Withrow, Chase	*White, James T.	*Sopris, Richard	Whittemore, O. A.
1896, Oct.	Central	*Withrow, Chase	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Jones, Aaron M.	*Greenleaf, L. N.	*Sopris, Richard	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1897, Oct.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Whittemore, O. A.	*Jones, Aaron M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Sopris, Richard	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1898, Oct.	Central	*Teller, Henry M.	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Wisebart, Benj. W.	*Sayr, Hal	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1899, Sept.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Hart, Cornelius J.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1871, Sept.	Central	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1872, Sept.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1873, Sept.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1874, Sept.	Denver	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1875, Sept.	Denver	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1876, Sept.	Denver	*Henry, Oren H.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1877, Sept.	Denver	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1878, Sept.	Denver	*Hart, Cornelius J.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1879, Sept.	Denver	*Woodbury, R. W.	*Carr, Byron L.	*Woodbury, R. W.	*Kirby, Francis L.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1880, Sept.	Denver	*Greenleaf, Law N.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1881, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1882, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1883, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1884, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1885, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1886, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1887, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1888, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1889, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1890, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1891, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1892, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1893, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1894, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
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1898, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.

† Deceased.

• Limited.

† Suspended.

|| Expelled.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

FROM OTHER GRAND LODGES			TO OTHER GRAND LODGES		
REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE	DATE OF COMMISSION	GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE
Ernest Le Nove Foster	Denver	March 17, 1890	Alabama	Henry C. Wiley	Troy
Andrew Armstrong	Fort Collins	January 10, 1888	Arizona	Fred G. Brecht	Prescott
Henry T. West	Greeley	August 21, 1884	Arkansas	John C. Bone	Batesville
John Humphreys	Trinidad	January 21, 1888	British Columbia	William Stewart	Nanaimo
James H. Peabody	Canon City	April 7, 1890	California	James W. Anderson	San Francisco
Byron L. Carr	Longmont	October 16, 1877	Canada	Frederick J. Menet	Toronto
Benj. L. James	Denver	September 1, 1888	Connecticut	Asa Smith	Norwalk
Charles O. Unfug	Pueblo	May 21, 1888	Cuba	Jose F. Pellon	Havana
Charles A. Bradbury	Canon City	January 1, 1888	Delaware	Henry G. M. Killeck	Newark
William D. Wright	Denver	June 18, 1889	Dis of Columbia	Alex. H. Holt	Washington
Roger W. Woodbury	Denver	March 14, 1879	Florida	Robert H. Smith	Macon
Cornelius J. Hart	Pueblo	December 20, 1875	Georgia	Hazen Squire	Lewiston
Albert H. Branch	Denver	June 20, 1897	Idaho	James A. Hawley	Dixon
Henry M. Teller	Central City	December 31, 1893	Illinois	Frank S. Devol	New Albany
Alphonse A. Burnand	Leadville	November 25, 1878	Indiana	Andrew Hardy	Armory
Wm. D. Todd	Denver	May 12, 1892	Indian Territory	Robert E. Torrington	Emporia
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	July 27, 1896	Kansas	G. Passalacqua	New Orleans
J. C. Sanford	Denver	March 15, 1890	Louisiana	Frank E. Sleeper	Sabattus
Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Durango	April 20, 1871	Maine	W. H. Seagel	Winipeg
Frank Church	Denver	September 10, 1891	Manitoba	Edward T. Schultz	Baltimore
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	September 3, 1895	Maryland	John S. Cross	Bangor
Calvin E. Reed	Central City	January 30, 1897	Michigan	Thomas Montgomery	St. Paul
Donald Fletcher	Denver	July 16, 1891	Minnesota	H. G. Cooper, Jr.	Calooga
W. T. Bridwell	Denver	October 16, 1899	Mississippi	C. B. Keene	January 3, 1891
H. P. H. Bromwell	Canon City	March 23, 1892	Montana	C. B. Nolan	October 19, 1898
George K. Kimball	Denver	February 8, 1897	Nebraska	Charles J. Phelps	April 2, 1892
John M. Maxwell	Golden	April 13, 1892	Nevada	Daniel W. Virginia	October 8, 1890
Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Leadville	February 21, 1891	New Brunswick	Henry E. McNichol	Genoa
	Denver	August 15, 1889	New Hampshire	William W. Goodwin	St. John
		December 10, 1878	New Jersey	J. S. Duncan	Manchester
			New Mexico		Bordenstown
					East La Vegas
					June 2, 1894

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES—CONCLUDED.

FROM OTHER GRAND LODGES			GRAND LODGE			TO OTHER GRAND LODGES		
REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE	DATE OF COMMISSION				REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE	DATE OF COMMISSION
Cromwell Tucker	Denver	July 4, 1892	New South Wales	James W. Evans	Sydney	August 13, 1892		
Frank G. Mirick	Golden	October 1, 1898	New York	Morris D. Moxley	Brooklyn	July 12, 1894		
Joseph W. Milson	Canon City	January 25, 1898	North Carolina	William A. Blair	Winston	June 12, 1890		
Horace T. DeLong	Grand Junction	March 15, 1890	North Dakota	John Holmes	Valley City	May 14, 1892		
John Gregor	Denver	January 13, 1898	Nova Scotia	J. Medley Townshend	Amherst	May 31, 1898		
George W. Roe	Pueblo	February 23, 1898	Ohio	F. A. Barr	Washington C. H.	March 18, 1890		
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	October 16, 1899	Oregon	James C. Fullerton	Roseburg	June 13, 1890		
Charles F. Middaugh	Rico	January 12, 1898	Pt. Edward Island	William T. Burrows	Summerside	September 12, 1890		
Andrew Sagendorf	Denver	May 23, 1878	Quebec	David South	Montreal	December 1, 1884		
George D. Kennedy	Colorado Springs	March 5, 1898	Rhode Island	Pardon Wilbur	Providence	August 10, 1890		
George Weaver	Durango	October 19, 1892	South Australia	Jasper Bee	Adelaide	October 8, 1894		
James P. Killian	Walsenburg	January 14, 1898	South Carolina	William S. Miller	Charleston	March 10, 1890		
William L. Bush	Idaho Springs	August 22, 1891	Tasmania	Hiram S. West	Groton	October 3, 1894		
John A. Steele	Gunnison	May 27, 1892	Texas	James Brickhill	Hobart	November 24, 1897		
Marshall H. Dean	Glenwood Springs	September 8, 1894	Utah	T. B. Cochran	Austin	September 14, 1891		
John F. Drescher	Denver	January 17, 1898	Vermont	Wm. Rolla Grant	Salt Lake City	August 8, 1894		
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	November 9, 1892	Victoria	Warren G. Reynolds	Burlington	September 19, 1898		
Jas. F. Maxwell	Boulder	October 14, 1892	Virginia	James C. House	Sandon	August 13, 1892		
George T. Cooper	Amethyst	January 11, 1898	West Virginia	Jacob Bumgardner	Staunton	November 15, 1891		
Harper M. Orabood	Denver	January 31, 1876	Wisconsin	George S. Eyster	Halltown	January 5, 1876		
Luther H. Wyzant, Jr.	Denver	August 1, 1896		Samuel S. Fildes	Ashtand	January 4, 1892		

DIRECTORY.

GRAND LODGE	GRAND MASTER	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT
Alabama	James A. Bilbro, Gaduden	H. Clay Armstrong, Montgomery	Morria Goldwater, Prescott
Arizona	Joseph B. Creamer, Phoenix	Geo. J. Rockridge, Tucson	Samuel H. Davidson, Evening Shade
Arkansas	J. B. Baker, Melbourne	Fay Hempstead, Little Rock	W. A. DeW. Smith, New Westminster
British Columbia	David Wilson, Victoria	William J. Quinlan, Victoria	Wm. A. Davies, San Francisco
California	F. M. Angellotti, San Rafael	Geo. Johnson, San Francisco	Henry Robertson, Collingwood
Canada	E. T. Malone, Toronto	John J. Mason, Hamilton	L. N. Greenleaf, Denver
Colorado	Horace T. DeLong, Grand Junction	Ed. C. Parmelee, Denver	Grand Secretary
Connecticut	Frank W. Havens, Hartford	John H. Barlow, Hartford	
Cuba	Segundo Alvarez, Havana	Jose F. Pellon, Havana	
Delaware	James E. Dutton, Seaford	Benj. F. Bartram, Wilmington	Lewis H. Jackson, Wilmington
District of Columbia	Samuel C. Palmer, Washington	Wm. R. Singleton, Washington	Grand Secretary
Florida	Jas. M. Hilliard, Pensacola	Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville	
Georgia	James W. Taylor, Lutherville	William A. Wolbain, Macon	W. S. Ramsey, Dublin
Idaho	George H. Storer, Idaho Falls	T. W. Randall, Boise City	Fred G. Mock, Nampa
Illinois	Edward Cook, Chicago	J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington	Joseph Robbins, Quincy
Indiana	Samuel S. Johnson, Jeffersonville	Wm. H. Smythe, Atoka	N. R. Ruckle, Indianapolis
Indian Territory	Henry C. Nash, Antlers	Jos. S. Murrow, Atoka	Grand Secretary
Iowa	Crom Bowen, Des Moines	Thos. S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids	J. C. W. Coxe, Washington
Kansas	Maurice L. Stone, Wamego	Albert K. Wilson, Topeka	J. C. Postlethwaite, Jewell City
Kentucky	James E. Wilhelm, Paducah	Henry B. Grant, Louisville	James W. Staton, Brooksville
Louisiana	A. C. Allen, Franklin	Richard Lambert, New Orleans	H. C. Duncan, Alexandria
Maine	Joseph A. Locke, Portland	Stephen Berry, Portland	Josiah H. Drummond, Portland
Manitoba	George B. Murphy, Moosomin, Assa.	Wm. G. Scott, Winnipeg	J. D. O'Meara, Winnipeg
Maryland	Thos. C. Shryock, Baltimore	Jacob H. Medary, Baltimore	E. T. Schultz, Baltimore
Massachusetts	Chas. C. Hutchinson, Boston	Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston	Grand Secretary
Michigan	James Bradley, Port Huron	Jefferson S. Conover, Coldwater	Irving Todd, Hastings
Minnesota	Alonzo T. Stebbins, Rochester	Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul	A. H. Barkley, Crawford
Mississippi	John M. Stone, Jackson	J. L. Power, Jackson	Grand Secretary
Missouri	E. F. Allen, Kansas City	John D. Vincil, St. Louis	Grand Secretary
Montana	Charles W. Pomeroy, Kalispell	Cornelius Hedges, Helena	Grand Secretary
Nebraska	John B. Deansmore, Sutton	Wm. R. Bowen, Omaha	A. D. Baird, Reno
Nevada	Matthew Kyle, Virginia City	C. N. Noteware, Carson City	
New Brunswick	Thomas Walker, St. John	J. Twining Hart, St. John	Albert S. Wait, Newport
New Hampshire	John McLane, Milford	Geo. P. Cleaves, Concord	Geo. B. Edwards, Jersey City
New Jersey	Josiah W. Ewan, Mount Holly	Thomas H. R. Redway, Trenton	Max Frost, Santa Fe
New Mexico	John W. Poe, Roswell	Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque	

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GRAND LODGE	GRAND MASTER	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT.
New South Wales	Joseph P. Abbott, Sydney	Arthur H. Bray, Sydney	Jesse B. Anthony, Troy
New York	Wm. A. Sutherland, Rochester	Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York	John A. Collins, Enfield
New Zealand	Wm. Barron, Dunedin	Wm. Ronaldson, Christ Church	W. Ernest Thompson, Halifax
North Carolina	Walter E. Moore, Webster	John C. Drewry, Raleigh	W. M. Cunningham, Newark
North Dakota	George H. Keyes, Ellendale	Frank J. Thompson, Fargo	Robert Clow, Junction City
Nova Scotia	Thomas B. Flint, Yarmouth	Wm. Ross, Halifax	Michael Arnold, Philadelphia
Ohio	Nelson Williams, Hamilton	John H. Brownwell, Cincinnati	Will H. Whyte, Montreal
Oklahoma	Enoch M. Bamford, Guthrie	James S. Hunt, Stillwater	Henry W. Rugg, Providence
Oregon	John B. Cleland, Portland	Jas. F. Robinson, Eugene	W. H. Whitehead, Charleston
Pennsylvania	Wm. J. Kelly, Philadelphia	Wm. A. Sinn, Philadelphia	Wm. Blatt, Yankton
Prince Edward Island	Leonard Morris, Summerside	Neil MacKelvie, Summerside	Geo. H. Morgan, Cookeville
Quebec	E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec	John H. Isaacson, Montreal	T. M. Matthews, Athens
Rhode Island	Cyrus M. VanSlyck, Providence	Edwin Baker, Providence	Marsh O. Perkins, Windsor
South Australia	S. J. Way, Adelaide	J. H. Cunningham, Adelaide	D. Meadowcraft, Melbourne
South Carolina	Jacob T. Barron, Columbia	Charles Inglesby, Charleston	Grand Secretary
South Dakota	Leotis G. Levey, Webster	Geo. A. Pettigrew, Plandreau	Grand Secretary
Tasmania	C. E. Davies, Hobart	John Hamilton, Hobart	Grand Secretary
Tennessee	William H. Bampas, Nashville	John B. Garrett, Nashville	Grand Secretary
Texas	John L. Terrell, Terrell	John Watson, Houston	Grand Secretary
Utah	John F. Hardie, Salt Lake	Christopher Dishl, Salt Lake City	Grand Secretary
Vermont	D. N. Nicholson, Burlington	Warren G. Reynolds, Burlington	Grand Secretary
Victoria	Lord Brassey, Melbourne	John Braim, Melbourne	Grand Secretary
Virginia	R. T. W. Duke, Jr., Charlottesville	Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond	Grand Secretary
Washington	William B. Upton, Seattle	Thos. M. Reed, Olympia	Grand Secretary
West Virginia	S. A. Myers, Martinsburg	Geo. W. Atkinson, Wheeling	Grand Secretary
Wisconsin	James G. Monahan, Darlington	John W. Ladin, Milwaukee	Grand Secretary
Wyoming	E. P. Rohrbaugh, Cheyenne	Wm. L. Kaykendall, Saratoga	Grand Secretary

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CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado, in order to form a more perfect fraternal union, provide for and promote the general welfare of the Craft, do ordain and establish this Constitution:

TITLE.

Section 1. The name of this Grand Lodge shall be "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado."

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

2. The officers and members of this Grand Lodge, and their rank and title, shall be as follows:

- The Most Worshipful Grand Master.
- The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.
- The Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.
- The Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Orator.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Marshal.
- The Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon.
- The Worshipful Junior Grand Deacon.
- The Grand Stewards.
- The Grand Tiler.

Together with such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as are members of Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction, and the Masters and Wardens, or their proxies, of each chartered Lodge in this jurisdiction.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

3. The Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge shall be held in the city of Denver, on the third Tuesday of September in each year. The hour of meeting shall be 10 o'clock a. m.

QUORUM.

4. The representatives of at least three chartered Lodges under this Grand jurisdiction shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, and the Grand Lodge shall not be opened until such number be present, but a smaller number may meet and adjourn from day to day, until a constitutional quorum shall be present.

POWERS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

5. By the ancient constitutions and the usages of Freemasonry, this Grand Lodge is the Supreme Masonic authority in Colorado. It has original and exclusive jurisdiction over all subjects of Masonic legislation and appellate jurisdiction from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges.

6. It has the power to enact laws and regulations for the government of the Craft, and of altering and abrogating them, to establish and preserve a uniformity of work and lectures, to issue charters for new Lodges, and to suspend and revoke them for unmasonic conduct; and all the powers it may exercise, it may delegate as in its wisdom and discretion it may deem best, unless especially prohibited.

OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED.

7. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge there shall be elected by ballot, from among the brethren who are constitutionally eligible thereto, a Grand Master, a Deputy Grand Mas-

ter, a Senior and a Junior Grand Warden, a Grand Treasurer and a Grand Secretary. The Senior Grand Warden shall appoint a Junior Grand Deacon, the Junior Grand Warden shall appoint two Grand Stewards, and the Grand Master shall appoint all the remaining officers of the Grand Lodge.

8. On all questions arising in the Grand Lodge the Grand officers, together with such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as may be present and are members thereof, and the Masters and Wardens of each Subordinate Lodge, or their regularly constituted proxies, shall each be entitled to one vote; but in no case whatsoever shall a member, by virtue of any proxy, or authority, cast more than three votes.

9. A majority of all the votes cast at any election of officers shall be necessary to elect.

QUALIFICATIONS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

10. No brother shall be eligible to the office of either Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master or Grand Warden, who has not been duly elected, installed and presided over a Subordinate Lodge, neither shall he be eligible to any office unless he is a member of a Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction.

INSTALLATION.

11. The officers of the Grand Lodge, elected and appointed, shall be annually installed, and shall perform their respective duties until their successors in office are duly elected and installed, and no officer shall be installed by proxy.

THE GRAND MASTER.

12. The Most Worshipful Grand Master shall have and enjoy all the powers and prerogatives conferred by the ancient constitutions and the usages and landmarks of Freemasonry.

13. He may convene the Grand Lodge in Special Grand Communication on any emergency which, in his judgment, may require it.

14. He has the power to convene any Subordinate Lodge within this Grand jurisdiction, preside therein and inspect its work.

15. It is his duty to require from all subordinate Lodges a strict conformity to the established rules, regulations and landmarks of Freemasonry.

16. For good cause he may suspend the functions of any Subordinate Lodge until the next communication of the Grand Lodge.

17. His decisions on all questions relative to the Craft shall be final, unless reversed by a vote of the majority of the Grand Lodge.

18. The granting and rejecting of all petitions for dispensations shall be solely within the province of the Grand Master.

19. He has the command of all other Grand officers touching the duties and ministration of their several offices, and may call on any and all of them, at any time, for advice and assistance in all business relative to the Craft.

20. In case of his death, absence or inability to act, the powers and duties of his station, for all regular and necessary purposes, shall, for the time being, devolve upon the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, or the Junior Grand Warden, in the order herein named.

GRAND TREASURER.

21. The Grand Treasurer shall have charge of all the funds and securities of the Grand Lodge, and it shall be his duty to attend all communications of the Grand Lodge, and report annually (or whenever requested by the Grand Master or Lodge) the condition of the finances; to pay all warrants drawn on him authorized by the Grand Lodge,

signed by the Grand Secretary, which warrants he shall cancel when paid; to keep all funds under his control in some repository, and if deposited in bank, to take receipt therefor in the name of the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Colorado; he shall not be authorized to loan out funds in his possession, except as ordered by the Grand Lodge or on the approval of the Grand Master. In making his annual report he shall accompany it with vouchers for all moneys paid out by him during the year, and the actual cash, certificate of deposit, certified check, or other like evidence, that the cash balance, as shown by the report, is in the actual possession of the Grand Lodge; he shall give bonds with good and sufficient sureties, in the penal sum of \$5,000, conditioned on the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, the bond to be approved by the Grand Lodge or Master, which bond shall be deposited with the Grand Master for safe keeping, and finally turn over to his successor in office all funds and property in his possession belonging to the Grand Lodge.

GRAND SECRETARY.

22. The Grand Secretary shall attend at all communications of the Grand Lodge, and duly record its proceedings, and shall receive and accurately account for and promptly pay over to the Grand Treasurer, all the funds and property of the Grand Lodge, from whatever source, taking his receipt for the same. He shall keep a record of the returns made by the Subordinate Lodges, and examine said returns so as to report thereon at each Annual Communication. He shall receive and preserve all petitions, applications, appeals and other documents; sign, certify to and duly seal all instruments of writing emanating from the Grand Lodge; conduct the correspondence of the Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master; and report

annually to the several Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, the names of the Grand officers elected. He shall, at each Annual Grand Communication, make a report to the Grand Lodge of moneys received and paid over to the Grand Treasurer, of failure or want of punctuality on the part of Subordinate Lodges in paying dues, and making proper returns, and of such other matters as, in his judgment, may require the action of the Grand Lodge. He shall, in due time, previous to each Annual Grand Communication, furnish each Subordinate Lodge with blank returns and with such instructions in regard to them as the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge may require. He shall also prepare and forward to each Lodge under dispensation, thirty days previous to the Annual Grand Communication, full instructions for its guidance in making returns and petitioning for charter. He shall, thirty days prior to the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, communicate with the proper officials of the different railroads centering in Denver, and endeavor to secure concessions on railroad fares, and tickets good from the Saturday prior to the Saturday subsequent to said annual meetings, and notify the different Lodges of the rate secured. He shall cause the Constitution, By-Laws and standing resolutions of this Grand Lodge to be published annually, with the proceedings. He shall give bond, with good and sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$5,000 conditioned on a faithful discharge of the duties of his office, the bond to be satisfactory to the Grand Lodge or Master, and which shall be deposited with the Grand Master for safe keeping. He shall be *ex officio* Librarian, and perform the duties prescribed in Section 30 of the Constitution, and for his services shall be paid the sum of \$1,200 as salary for the year ending with this communication of the Grand Lodge, and each succeeding year thereafter, payable quarterly by warrants drawn upon the Grand Treasurer.

OTHER OFFICERS.

23. The Grand Chaplain shall attend the communications of the Grand Lodge and lead in devotional exercises.

24. The Grand Orator shall prepare an address upon the subject of Masonry, to be delivered to the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication.

25. It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer to impart the esoteric work of this jurisdiction to the officers and members of Subordinate Lodges when called upon so to do. He may also convene any Lodge within this jurisdiction for the purpose of instructing it in the work, and may require the officers thereof to exemplify the work upon a candidate or substitute, and correct any inaccuracies in such work. He shall make a detailed statement of all his official acts and doings to the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication, together with such particulars and recommendations as he may deem necessary. He shall receive in compensation the sum of \$3 per day for each day actually spent in the discharge of the duties of his office, and actual expenses, to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

26. The Grand Marshal shall proclaim the Grand officers at their installation, introduce the representatives of foreign Grand Lodges and distinguished visiting brethren and conduct processions of the Grand Lodge.

27. The Grand Deacons shall perform the duties incidental to their respective offices.

28. The Grand Stewards shall have immediate superintendence, under the direction of the Junior Grand Warden, in the provisions to be made on all festive occasions.

29. The Grand Tiler shall guard the door of the Grand Lodge on the outside, report all persons claiming admission, and see that none enter but such as are duly authorized and properly clothed.

He shall have all the rights and be entitled to all the honors of other Grand officers, except the right to vote.

30. The Librarian shall have the care of all the books purchased or donated to the library of this Grand Lodge. Whenever any donations shall be made to the library fund the donation shall be credited to the donor in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Grand Secretary, and the money so donated shall be for the purchase of books only. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary are authorized to purchase additional books for the library from time to time as they may think proper, and draw upon the library fund to pay for the same.

31. This Constitution can only be amended by proposing the change in writing at an Annual Grand Communication; and if, after reference to and report by a committee, it shall be concurred in by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, it shall be from that time a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS

PERTAINING TO THE GRAND LODGE.

REPRESENTATION.

Section 1. Every Subordinate Lodge in good standing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be entitled to be represented in this Grand Lodge by its Master and Wardens, or their proxies appointed by themselves, and who shall be members of the Lodge they are appointed to represent; and each Lodge shall be entitled to three votes upon all questions before the Grand Lodge.

2. No representative shall be entitled to a seat in this Grand Lodge until the dues of his Lodge are paid, and the Grand Secretary's receipt obtained, and the returns of the Lodge delivered to the Grand Secretary, as required by sections 36 and 38 of these By-Laws.

SESSION COMMITTEES.

3. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, as soon as practicable after its organization, the Grand Master shall appoint the following named committees, of three members each:

1. A Committee on Credentials, whose duty shall be to examine the credentials of all Masons claiming the right of membership, and report their names and Masonic connection to the Grand Lodge.

2. A Committee to Examine Visiting Brethren, whose duty shall be to examine all visitors not properly vouched for, and report their respective names, addresses and Masonic connection to the Grand Lodge.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

4. Before the close of each Annual Communication the Grand Master shall appoint standing com-

mittees, of three members each, for the ensuing Masonic year, as follows:

1. On Masonic Correspondence, whose duty shall be to examine the correspondence and documents from other Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, and report at the next Annual Communication whatever may seem of sufficient importance and interest.

2. On Masonic Jurisprudence, whose duty shall be to examine and report upon all questions, documents and papers requiring investigation and decision upon points of Masonic law.

3. A Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges Under Dispensation, and on Petitions, whose duty it shall be to examine the By-Laws, records of the work and returns of Lodges under dispensation, and to make report to the Grand Lodge if, or not, in their opinion, charters should be granted to such Lodges, and if so, reporting the names of all proposed charter members. Also to examine all petitions for change of location, or for change of name, and report on the same to the Grand Lodge.

4. A Committee on Appeals and Grievances, whose duty shall be to examine and report upon all appeals, memorials and petitions in relation to any matter of complaint within this jurisdiction which shall come before the Grand Lodge.

5. A Committee on Finance, Mileage and Per Diem, whose duty shall be to examine and report on all accounts and financial matters to them referred, and to make a full report before the close of each annual Grand Communication, on the financial condition of the Grand Lodge. Also, to ascertain the sums to which each officer and representative is entitled on account of traveling expenses and per diem, and report the same to the Grand Lodge.

PAY OF MEMBERS.

5. The Grand officers, members of the Committees on Correspondence, Jurisprudence, Returns and Work, Appeals and Grievances, and Finance, Mileage and Per Diem, and the officer highest in rank, or in the absence of officers, the representative highest in rank from each Lodge, under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed their actual traveling expenses (railroad, stage or other fare) going and returning from their place of residence, computed by the nearest traveled route, and \$3 per day for each day's actual attendance at the Grand Lodge; *provided*, no one shall draw mileage or per diem both as Grand officer and representative; *provided further*, that in case of absence from any regu-

lar session of the Grand Lodge (except in case of sickness or other unavoidable cause), without permission of the Grand Master, or Grand Lodge, all claim to payment or compensation, under this section, shall be forfeited.

Each of said standing committees may, at the call of the Grand Master, meet at least one day prior to each Annual Communication, and consider any matters presented by the Grand Master, so as to be ready to report at the opening of the session.— See decision 216.

RULES OF ORDER.

6. The Grand Master shall take the chair every day at the hour to which the Grand Lodge shall have called off.

7. During business the members are required to keep their seats and observe strict order and decorum; and no member shall leave the hall or absent himself from the service of the Grand Lodge unless he has permission, or be sick or unable to attend.

8. No member shall be permitted to speak more than twice upon any subject, unless to explain, without permission from the Grand Lodge. If any member is twice called to order at a communication for transgressing these rules, and is guilty of a third offense of the same nature, the presiding officer shall peremptorily order him to leave the Grand Lodge; and he may, further, be amenable to reprimand, suspension or expulsion, as the Grand Lodge shall deem proper.

9. When a question is put, it shall be the duty of every member present to vote, unless for good cause the Grand Lodge shall excuse him; but no member shall vote upon any question in the event of which he is personally interested.

10. No motion shall be entertained until it is seconded; and no debate shall be had thereon until it is stated by the chair.

11. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, with the name of the mover endorsed thereon, if the chair or the Grand Secretary desire.

12. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to lay on the table, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

13. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends questions so distinct that one being taken away the rest may stand entire for the decision of the Grand Lodge. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

14. When a motion has once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member in the majority to move for a reconsideration thereof.

15. All unprivileged questions shall be propounded in the order in which they are moved, except in filling up blanks, when the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

16. No report shall be received from a committee unless the same be reduced to writing and signed by a majority of the members thereof.

17. No committee shall sit during the session of the Grand Lodge without special permission.

18. The journal shall be read and approved before the final close of each Annual Grand Communication.

PERTAINING TO SUBORDINATE LODGES.

DISPENSATIONS.

19. No dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge shall be granted except upon the petition of at least eight Master Masons, in good standing, each of whom shall sign his full name and state the Lodge to which he belongs. In addition to such general information as may be necessary for the Grand Master, the petition shall specifically set forth: The name of the town and county; the estimated population of the town; what additional towns or territory will be included in the proposed jurisdiction; that the material is sufficient to sustain a healthy and reputable Lodge; that all of the petitioners reside within the proposed jurisdiction; that they have at their disposal suitable quarters for the practice of Masonic rites; if the expenses incident to a new Lodge have been donated, or if they are to be paid at a future time by the Lodge; that they will conform to all the orders of the Grand Master, and the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge; and shall present the names of suitable brethren for appointment as Master and Wardens.

20. The petition shall be accompanied by the minimum fee of \$40, and by a recommendation from the nearest chartered Lodge, certifying to the truth of the statements contained in the petition, and that the brother named for Master is qualified to open and close a Lodge, and to confer the three degrees. (See Decisions 58 and 150.)

21. The petition shall also be accompanied by evidence of the standing of all the signers, as follows: If from Lodges beyond this jurisdiction, by dimits; if from within this jurisdiction, by dimits or certificates from the Lodge Secretaries that the brethren are under no charges and have paid dues

to the time of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

22. Existing membership shall only be disturbed when a charter follows a dispensation, in which event they shall immediately cease in the old and begin in the new Lodge; and it shall be the duty of the Master of the latter to see that the several Lodges interested are promptly notified of the changes. (See Decision 180.)

23. Each Lodge under dispensation shall be governed by the By-Laws pertaining to Subordinate Lodges, as adopted by the Grand Lodge, and at the next Annual Grand Communication shall forward to the Grand Secretary its dispensation, returns of all work, record of proceedings, proposed By-Laws, and \$1 for each Mason raised. (See Decisions 90 and 101.)

24. No Lodge shall do any work out of the regular order, unless by dispensation from the Grand Master; and any Lodge working under dispensation shall return the same to the Grand Master with an endorsement of the action had thereon.

25. A petition from a Lodge to the Grand Master for a dispensation shall set forth fully the emergency, and if for other purposes than a new Lodge, shall be accompanied with a fee of \$5, which shall be paid to the Grand Secretary for the library fund, except for the purpose of attending Divine service, when no fee shall be required.

CHARTERS AND NEW LODGES.

26. Charters shall be granted by the Grand Lodge at a regular Annual Communication, and under no circumstances shall the power to issue be left discretionary with the Grand Master or any other officer.

27. No charter shall be granted except the Lodge shall have worked under dispensation to the

satisfaction of the Grand Lodge, and shall have regularly conferred the three degrees.

28. Charters shall only be granted upon the written petition of the brethren named in the dispensation and those raised by its authority, together with such others as present dimits to the Grand Lodge, and may have received the unanimous endorsement of the Lodge under dispensation; provided, that if, through absence or sickness, any eligible signatures are omitted, the names may nevertheless appear in the charter.

29. Petitions for charter shall propose the name of the Lodge and nominate for Master and Wardens; nevertheless the Grand Lodge may substitute others in lieu thereof.

30. No Lodge shall pay a stated salary to its Secretary, but may allow him such percentage of Lodge moneys collected as in its judgment is proper for all his services.

31. The minimum fee for the issuance of a charter shall be \$20.

32. It is not in the power of a majority of the members of a Lodge to surrender the charter, so long as seven Master Masons, members thereof, continue to work under it, according to the ancient Landmarks of Masonry.

33. The Grand Lodge shall recall any charter of a Lodge which fails to meet for twelve consecutive months.

34. Whenever any charter of a Lodge shall be destroyed, stolen or surreptitiously taken and detained, or becomes so defaced as to be unfit for use, without the fault of the Lodge or Master, it shall be lawful for the Grand Master to order another to be issued, which shall set forth the members and officers named in the charter lost, detained or destroyed, the Grand Communication at which it was granted, the names of the Grand Officers attached thereto, and the circumstances of its loss, destruc-

tion or detention; and shall be signed by the Grand Master and attested by the Grand Secretary under seal of the Grand Lodge, without fee.

REPORTS, RETURNS AND DUES FROM CHARTERED
LODGES.

35. Each Lodge shall, immediately after its annual installation, report to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary the names of its Master, Wardens and Secretary.

36. Each chartered Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary, at least twelve days prior to the first day of each Annual Grand Communication, returns of all work done from the last return to and including the thirty-first day of August of that year.

37. Each Lodge shall pay to the Grand Secretary, as Grand Lodge dues, the sum of \$1 for each member less than sixty years of age, and specify in the returns the names of the members exempt. (See Decision 125.)

38. Grand Lodge dues are hereby made payable at the time of making the annual returns of work. If any Lodge neglect or refuse to pay at the time specified, and shall persist, for the period of sixty days, without giving reasons satisfactory to the Grand Master, it shall be his duty to suspend the functions of such Lodge, until the next Stated Communication of the Grand Lodge.

39. Whenever Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts neglect for a period of two years to pass examination upon their proficiency, and take the next degree, their names shall be dropped from the reports of the Lodge, but they shall still remain available working material for said Lodge. (See Decision 152.)

GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATION.

40. It is the duty of the Master to see that his Lodge is represented at all Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, and if any Master fails so to do, he shall furnish the Grand Lodge with his excuse therefor.

41. The Grand Lodge may order suspended or forfeited the charter of any Lodge which fails for two successive years to be represented at the Grand Lodge Communications.

ELECTIONS TO OFFICE.

42a. Elections for officers in Subordinate Lodges shall be held on the first Stated Communication in December of each year; and the officers elect shall be installed as soon thereafter as practicable, and not later than St. John's Day, unless by special dispensation. (See Decision 106.)

42b. No brother shall be declared elected to office without having received a majority vote of all the members present.

43. It is at variance with the spirit of Masonry to electioneer for or make nominations for offices, and it is hereby strictly prohibited.

44. No election for officers shall take place in a Lodge under dispensation, but such as are not designated in the dispensation shall be filled by order of the Master.

INSTALLATIONS.

45. No Lodge shall hold a public installation without a dispensation.

46. A re-elected Master may, if necessary, hold over without re-installation.

47. All the officers of a newly-chartered Lodge must be installed by the Grand Master, or his representative. No officer shall be installed by proxy.

48. The Past Master's Degree is not essential for installation, but when conferred, none but actual Past Masters can be present. (See Decisions 170 and 171.)

WARDENS.

49. In the absence of a Master of a Lodge, Wardens may preside and confer degrees; but in the absence of all, a Lodge may only be opened by the Grand Master or his representative.

JURISDICTION.

50. Service as Warden in a Lodge, under dispensation, does not constitute eligibility to election as Master in a chartered Lodge.

51. Unless otherwise specified, Lodge jurisdiction shall extend by air line one-half way to surrounding Lodges.

52. Two or more Lodges in the same town or city shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction except when otherwise provided.

53. Each Lodge having concurrent jurisdiction with another Lodge or other Lodges, shall immediately notify the same of any application it may receive for the degrees.

54. Mount Princeton Lodge No. 49, and Tin Cup Lodge No. 52, shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction in the towns of St. Elmo and Hancock.

PETITIONS.

55. No Subordinate Lodge shall act upon a petition for initiation unless the applicant has resided within the jurisdiction of that Lodge during the preceding twelve months. (See decisions 37, 82, 95, 113, 151 and 190.)

56. After a petition is regularly received and entered upon the minutes, it shall not be withdrawn. (See Decisions 103 and 178.)

57. Subordinate Lodges shall act upon no petition for initiation or membership, unless the same shall have been laid over one lunar month.

58. Subordinate Lodges shall act on no petition for initiation from an applicant who lives nearer another Lodge, without first obtaining the unanimous consent of the latter, at a regular meeting, which consent shall be expressed by ballot.

59. Subordinate Lodges shall receive no petition for affiliation unless accompanied by a dimit or a certificate of good standing from the Lodge of which the petitioner was last a member. (See Decision 103.)

60. Whenever a candidate who has been elected, fails to appear for initiation within three months or give satisfactory reasons, the money which accompanied his petition shall be forfeited, and in order to become a Mason he must renew his petition. (See Decision 178.)

61. A brother having received a portion of the degrees and desiring the remainder in another Lodge, shall first obtain the unanimous consent of that which conferred the degrees already received, and which consent shall be determined by ballot. His petition to the other Lodge in regular form, stating the additional facts, and accompanied by the said permission, may then take the usual course. (See Decision 65.)

62. No Subordinate Lodge shall ballot upon a petition until report has been made by a committee to the following details concerning the character of the petitioner.

1. What is his age?
2. Is he married or single?
3. If married, is he living with his wife?
4. What is his occupation, and where is he employed?
5. Is he physically qualified for admission?
6. What is the character of his company and associates?
7. Is he addicted to the intemperate use of intoxicating liquors?
8. Does he gamble?

9. Does he habitually use profane or indecent language?
10. Has he licentious or immoral habits?
11. Is he a law-abiding citizen?
12. Does he possess sufficient education and intelligence to understand and value the doctrines and tenets of Masonry?
13. Has he ever made previous application for degrees? And if so, where and when? (See Decisions 37 and 178.)

BALLOTING.

63. No ballot shall be spread except at a Regular Communication, unless by dispensation.

64. In balloting for candidates, all members of the Lodge present shall vote.

65. The ballot shall be spread for each degree, and shall be unanimous upon the moral, intellectual and Masonic qualifications of the applicant. (See Decisions 173 and 174.)

66. After the ballot has been examined, first by the Wardens and finally by the Master, the result shall be declared by the latter, unless a single negative vote appear, in which event he may order it respread, the result of which shall be absolutely final, subject to no reconsideration, under any circumstances whatsoever, nor can it be set aside by the Lodge, Master, Grand Master, or even the Grand Lodge. (See Decision 174.)

67. No Mason shall divulge the character of his vote upon the petition of any candidate.

REJECTIONS.

68. A rejected candidate for the degrees shall not be received within twelve months thereafter by another Lodge without the unanimous consent by ballot of that which rejected him.

69. Lodges may provide by By-Law the time that shall elapse between a rejection and another application. (See Decision 70.)

70. Secretaries of Lodges shall report no rejections for initiation or affiliation.

OBJECTIONS AFTER BALLOT.

71. Advancement to the degrees may be stayed at any time, for good reasons, by the Lodge or Master.

72. Objection by a member in good standing to the initiation of an elected candidate shall have the same effect as an unfavorable ballot. Such objection, when made, shall be reported to the Lodge at the next Regular Communication, and the fact of such objection shall be entered of record without the name of the brother objecting. The candidate shall then be declared rejected, and his money returned, as in other cases of rejection. Such objection shall have no other or greater force than an unfavorable ballot.

73. Objection to the advancement of a brother, made by a member in good standing, shall stop all further proceedings until the objections be withdrawn or otherwise disposed of, or the objector's membership ceases. When such objection is made, the fact and the name of the objecting brother shall be entered of record.

The Lodge may at a Regular Communication, upon two weeks' notice to the objecting brother, take up and try the sufficiency of the objection, and if deemed sufficient, all fees for degrees unconferred shall be at once returned, and the candidate shall not be advanced until the objection is withdrawn or the objector's membership ceases. If the objection is deemed insufficient, the candidate may be advanced. (See Decisions 74 and 75.)

CONFERRING DEGREES.

74. No Lodge shall confer the Entered Apprentice Degree upon a candidate unless he be a perfect man, having no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art and becoming perfect in the work. (See Decisions 139 and 148.)

75. No candidate shall receive, without dispensation, more than one degree on the same day, nor until he has passed a satisfactory examination in open Lodge on the last degree received. (See Decision 173.)

76. No Lodge shall confer the first section of any degree on more than one candidate at the same time.

77. No Lodge shall confer a degree upon any non-resident citizen without first obtaining consent from the proper jurisdiction.

78. The making of a Master Mason constitutes the brother a member of the Lodge in which raised, except when done at the request of another Lodge. Signing the By-Laws, though desirable, is not essential.

79. No Lodge shall confer the three degrees for less than \$30, to be paid in advance.

AFFILIATION.

80. No petition shall be received for affiliation except from a former member, until the petitioner has visited the Lodge; and the ballot shall not be spread upon such petition until after a visit subsequent to its reception.

81. No Lodge shall admit to membership any brother who shall be exempt from any of the duties, obligations and privileges required by the Constitution, Regulations and Landmarks of Masonry.

82. No Lodge having a membership of less than 300 shall collect a fee for affiliation.

NON-AFFILIATES.

83. Non-affiliation is cause for discipline, and all non-affiliates, who have not made application for membership in some Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction within one year, shall not be entitled to visit any

Lodge more than twice during the year, or join any Masonic procession, nor be entitled, as a matter of right, to Masonic relief or burial.

84. The conduct of all Masons shall subject them to discipline by the Lodge within whose jurisdiction they reside, unless the offender should hold membership in another Lodge in the same place. (See Decisions 143 and 169.)

DIMITS.

85. No Lodge shall grant a dimit except upon written application, presented at a Stated Communication, which shall lie over until the next Stated Communication, when, if no charges have been preferred, and the brother's dues have been paid, the dimit shall be ordered and issued. (See Decisions 141-164.)

86. No elective or appointed officer shall be dimitted during the period for which he has been installed.

87. Members of extinct Lodges are entitled to Grand Lodge certificates on application, and upon paying all arrearages due the Lodge to which they belonged.

88. A dimit dates from the Lodge record when the same was granted, and membership ceases with that date, even if the certificate be not issued.

89. Upon the election of non-affiliates, their dimits or other certificates of former membership shall be canceled by the Secretary. (See Decision 175.)

SUMMONS.

90. A summons issued by a Subordinate Lodge or the Worshipful Master thereof, must be written or printed, and under the seal of the Lodge. (See Decisions 107 and 162.)

91. No summons need contain other matter than a requisition to attend the Lodge.

92. Every Master Mason is bound to attend the Lodge requiring him, on being summoned. (See Decision 154.)

TRIALS.

93. Any member of a Subordinate Lodge is subject to the discipline thereof, excepting only the Worshipful Master.

94. No Mason shall be deprived of any Masonic right except after due charges, trial and conviction. (See Decision 153.)

95. Charges must be signed by the accuser (by the Junior Warden or other member, if ordered by the Lodge) and be presented at a regular Communication; whereupon the accused shall be furnished with a copy and summoned to plead thereto. (See Decisions 147, 160 and 163.)

96. If the plea be not guilty, the Lodge shall then determine if the trial shall be by the Lodge or a commission of its members; except that in case of a suspended Mason undergoing trial for a new offense, the testimony shall only be taken by a commission. If trial be by the Lodge, it shall fix the time, and the accused be notified thereof. (See Decisions 145 and 161.)

97. All such trials shall be in the highest degree attained by the accused, and upon its conclusion both he and his accuser shall retire, unless the latter be such by virtue of an order from the Lodge. (See Decision 147.)

98. The Lodge shall be opened on the Third Degree when arriving at a verdict. The question of guilt shall be determined by ballot, and upon which every member present shall vote; and if two-thirds be not dark, the accused shall be declared not guilty. (See Decisions 66 and 159.)

99. If the verdict be guilty, the Master shall put the question as to punishment, beginning with the highest and ending with the lowest herein provided. The vote on punishment may be taken by a show of hands, and decided by a two-thirds vote of the members present, except in case of a reprimand, which may be determined by a majority vote. (See Decision 66.)

100. If the Lodge determine that the trial be by commission, the time shall be fixed by the latter, who shall report the testimony in writing, together with their own finding, to the Lodge. Thereupon the Lodge shall finally determine the question of guilt and punishment as heretofore provided. (See Decision 144.)

101. The accused and accuser may be present at all examinations of witnesses, in or out of the Lodge, and propose such relevant questions as they may desire.

102. All witnesses shall possess the use of their reason, and have such religious belief as to feel the obligations of an oath; and they shall not have been convicted of any infamous crime. Witnesses not Masons shall be examined under legal oath, or may make deposition.

103. All testimony, in or out of Lodge, shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses.

104. If the residence of the accused is not known, or if, upon due summons, he refuses or neglects to attend, trial may proceed without his presence. (See Decision 158.)

105. Lodges are not required to furnish the Grand Lodge with copies of proceedings in trials, except on appeal; and if a new trial be ordered by the Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary shall return said copies to the Lodge.

PENALTIES.

106. The Masonic punishment which may and shall be inflicted by the Grand Lodge and its Subordinates, shall be either reprimand, definite or indefinite suspension, or expulsion. (See Decision 66.)

107. Expulsion from a Lodge shall include expulsion from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. (See Decision 165.)

108. A reprimand may either be private or public, but shall not be given until the offender has had due notice and an opportunity for explanation or excuse, nor by any one but the Acting Master, in the manner and form he may deem proper in private, or in open Lodge, from his appropriate station. (See Decision 154.)

109. When any brother shall be suspended or expelled, immediate notice thereof shall be sent by the Lodge Secretary to the Grand Secretary. The Grand Secretary shall compile such reports at the end of each month, and send the same to each Lodge. No member shall be permitted to make any expulsion or suspension public, nor to communicate the same to any person not a Mason, except by a resolution to make public by the Lodge taking action, and which fact shall also be reported to the Grand Secretary. All expulsions and suspensions shall also be published with the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge. (See Decision 201.)

APPEALS.

110. All Masons have the right to appeal from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges to the Grand Lodge any time before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, in which case the Lodge shall furnish the Grand Lodge and the accused with an attested copy of its proceedings on the trial, and such testimony in its possession as he may require. (See Decision 185.)

111. All appeals shall be in writing and filed with the Grand Secretary, and the appellant shall give the other party reasonable notice thereof.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

112. The non-payment of Lodge dues by a brother known to be able is cause for discipline.

113. On report of the Secretary that a brother is in arrears for two years or more, a Lodge may order charges signed by the Junior Warden in the following form:

"By order of Lodge No., A. F. and A. M., I hereby charge Brother with unmasonic conduct in neglecting to pay Lodge dues from the day of to the day of

"Dated, 18

" Junior Warden."

114. Examination shall be in open Lodge, and the testimony of the Secretary as to the indebtedness and requests for payment shall be sufficient evidence for the prosecution. Nevertheless, the Lodge may exercise such clemency as to it may seem proper, according to the circumstances of each case.

115. The only penalty for conviction under charges for non-payment of dues shall be reprimand or indefinite suspension from all the rights and benefits of Masonry; but reprimand shall not be inflicted for a second offense.

116. An application for restoration, after indefinite suspension for non-payment of dues shall not be received until all dues are paid to the date of suspension.

RESTORATION.

117. In case the decision of any Lodge suspending or expelling a brother shall be reversed by

the Grand Lodge, such brother shall be restored to all the rights and privileges as a Mason and a member of the Lodge.

118. No expelled Mason shall be restored to the privileges of Masonry except by a vote of the Grand Lodge, and such restoration shall not reinstate him to Lodge membership without the unanimous consent of the members thereof.

119. An application to reinstate an expelled Mason must in all cases be accompanied with a recommendation from the Lodge by which he was expelled, provided such Lodge be still in existence.

120. Restoration after definite suspension shall take place at the expiration of the time specified in the sentence without further action.

121. Restoration after indefinite suspension shall be by action of the Lodge at a Stated Communication, after due notice to the Lodge of at least one lunar month, and must be by a two-thirds vote of the members present.—See Decision 211.

WITHOUT TRIAL.

122. A Mason heretofore dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues (without trial), shall be restored to good standing without further action of the Lodge, upon the payment of all arrearages to the date of being so dropped. (See Decision 199.)

NON-INTERCOURSE.

123. Lodges are authorized to use their discretion, according to circumstances, as to recognizing as Masons any residents of the jurisdiction who may, during such residence, have received the degrees elsewhere.

124. All Masons belonging to Lodges in this jurisdiction are forbidden to knowingly hold Masonic intercourse with any Mason belonging to a Lodge chartered by either the Grand Orient of

France or the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, and any brother doing so shall be subject to the highest Masonic penalties. *Provided*, That Masons holding dimits from Lodges in Europe chartered by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, who are or may become citizens of the United States and residents within this Grand Jurisdiction, may petition Lodges of this jurisdiction for affiliation, the said Lodges being authorized to recognize such dimits for that purpose, and to act upon the said petitions.

INTEMPERANCE.

125. It is hereby made the imperative duty of all Lodges to restrain, as far as possible, the Masonic crime of intemperance, by trial and punishment, as the case may require, and to exclude from Lodge and ante-room all intoxicating liquors; and for the faithful performance of these duties they will be held strictly accountable to the Grand Lodge. It shall be unlawful to initiate or affiliate any person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors. All Masons are, therefore, fraternally advised to refrain from engaging in the liquor traffic. (See Decisions 40, 51, 62, 86, 115, 123, 132, 172 and 239.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

126. It shall not be lawful for a Lodge to hold Communications on the Sabbath day for any purpose whatever, except to attend the funeral of a Mason.

127. The delivery or teaching of any Masonic work not authorized, or which has not received the sanction of the Grand Lodge or its lawful authority, is forbidden.

128. Upon the demise of any Lodge, the Secretary and Treasurer of the same shall, within three months, transmit to the Grand Secretary all the books, papers, jewels, furniture, funds and other property of the Lodge so demised.

129. The Grand Master is authorized, at the request of a Lodge, to change its location or place of meeting, but such a request must be made at a Regular Communication, after notice given in open Lodge at least one lunar month before action is taken by the Lodge.

130. Honorary membership gives the right to speak in Lodge, but not to vote. It can not be conferred on a regular member of a Lodge by the same body. (See Decision 46.)

131. Lodges and Committees on Charity shall require from applicants for assistance evidence of good standing before granting the same, and in the event such applicant shall prove to be an impostor or unworthy, such fact, with a full description of the impostor, shall be immediately reported to the Grand Secretary, whose duty it shall be to forthwith send notice of the same to all Lodges in this jurisdiction and the Grand Secretary of all the jurisdictions immediately adjoining.

132. Objection by a member present at a meeting of his Lodge to the visit of a brother at that Communication shall exclude the visitor.

133. Changes in Lodge By-Laws shall only be operative after approval by the Grand Master.

134. The Master of each Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction shall cause to be read in open Lodge, within two months after the annual election, the Constitution, By-Laws and Decisions, and in each case should immediately advise the Grand Master of the compliance with this By-Law.

135. These By-Laws, pertaining to Grand or Subordinate Lodges, can only be amended by proposing the change in writing at an Annual Grand Communication; and if, after reference to and report by a committee, it shall be concurred in by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, it shall be from that time a part of these By-Laws.

DECISIONS.

Approved by the Grand Lodge, Except Such as Have Been Rendered Inoperative by or Incorporated in other Legislation.

BY R. W. WOODBURY, 1879.

1. In the absence of law upon the subject, the burial of a suicide may be left to the discretion of the Master.

2. A Subordinate Lodge can, in the absence of law upon the subject, use its discretion as to renting its Lodge room to other societies. (See No. 76.)

3. A second Examining Committee should not be appointed for the same visitor on the same evening, without an explanation to the Master from the first committee, and satisfaction on his part that injustice has been done.

4. The Worshipful Master has the right to refuse admission to members of his Lodge during the progress of work which will be disturbed by their admission.

5. The Grand Lodge Proceedings sent to Subordinate Lodges are the property of the Lodges, and not of any officers or members thereof.

6. The choice of Master is one of the privileges of the brethren, and the request to elect a Worshipful Master from the floor should come from the Lodge and not the Master. (See Decision 166.)

BY B. L. CARR, 1880.

7. It is contrary to Masonic usage for the "Tiler" to sit in the Lodge room after the ceremony of opening is finished, the outer door to the ante-room being securely locked. It is a landmark of Masonry that every Lodge should be "tiled." The Tiler's place is "outside the door."

BY L. N. GREENLEAF. 1881.

8. Either of three Lodges located in towns equi-distant is competent to recommend a petition for a new Lodge, provided the others acquiesce; otherwise, the oldest chartered Lodge to have the precedence.

9. This Grand Lodge as yet exercises no control over the introduction of the Order of the Eastern Star.

10. Master Masons raised in a Lodge under dispensation have all the rights and privileges of those named in the dispensation.

11. Lodges under dispensation can not grant dimitts.

12. A member of a Lodge under dispensation can not withdraw his dimit filed with the petition for dispensation; it is part of the record.

13. An Emergent Grand Lodge can not be opened by proxy in another locality during a communication of the Grand Lodge proper.

14. The signature of the Worshipful Master is not essential to the validity of a dimit, if signed by the Secretary and under seal.

BY R. A. QUILLIAN, 1882.

15. It is competent for a Lodge to receive a petition for affiliation from a Master Mason who has been raised in a jurisdiction that required the signing of the By-Laws, as a condition precedent to becoming a member, and who has failed to sign the By-Laws, and who was not claimed by the Lodge that made him a Mason as a member; but the application for affiliation should be accompanied by a certificate from the former Lodge, setting forth the facts in the case.

16. A petition for dispensation to confer the degrees out of the regular order should be made by

the Lodge and under seal, but it is discretionary with the Grand Master to pass upon the sufficiency of an application by the Master.

17. An applicant for Masonry sent in his petition to the Lodge in whose jurisdiction he then resided. His petition was received and referred to a committee, who reported that he had established a business at another place, and the day after his petition was received his family removed out of the jurisdiction of the Lodge. I held that it was competent for the Lodge to proceed with the case, and, if found worthy, to confer the degrees.

BY J. H. PEABODY, 1885.

18. A candidate who has been rejected for advancement to the second or third degrees may, in the absence of any By-Law of the Lodge, re-apply to the Lodge for examination and advancement at the next subsequent stated meeting, and at each succeeding one thereafter, so long as the "black ball" shall appear, and no objections are filed against him.

19. A member of a Lodge, after being elected to an office, can decline to be installed.

20. Negroes, if free born, are entitled to Masonic recognition, if made in regular Lodges. So-called "Colored Lodges" are held as irregular, and therefore persons belonging to them are not recognizable as Masons.

21. An applicant with one leg five inches shorter than the other is ineligible for initiation.

22. A person who has lost the use of his right arm is ineligible for initiation.

BY GEORGE WYMAN, 1886.

23. Part payment of dues, pending charges for non-payment, does not invalidate charges.

24. The Tiler, if a member of the Lodge, has the same rights as if inside the door.

25. A Lodge receiving a waiver of jurisdiction from some other Lodge, has authority to proceed or waive jurisdiction in favor of a third Lodge.

BY ALBERT H. BRANCH, 1887.

26. A person having lost the little finger of the right hand is eligible for the degrees.

27. A brother can be elected to office whether present or absent, but must be installed in person.

28. The laws of the State of Colorado provide for Masonic Lodges holding real estate. A Lodge should not incorporate to hold real estate or other property, as it would be in violation of Masonic law and usages.

29. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice Degree in one Lodge and applies for membership and advancement in another—his former Lodge having waived jurisdiction and certified to the fact that they conferred said degree—one ballot only is necessary in the Lodge to which said brother so applies, before receiving the Fellow Craft Degree, provided said ballot is clear; the ballot being spread upon the moral, intellectual and Masonic qualifications of the applicant.

BY GEORGE K. KIMBALL, D. G. M., 1887.

30. The issuing of duplicate dimitts is prohibited. Upon proper proof of identity and of the loss or destruction of the original dimit, the Secretary of the Lodge granting the dimit, with the approval of the Worshipful Master, may issue a certificate to the effect that on such a day a dimit was granted to Brother A. B., cause the Lodge seal to be affixed and presented to the applicant.

31. A notice of suspension or expulsion of a brother from a Lodge, not having the seal of the

Lodge attached, and no reason given for not using seal, should not be considered official.

32. A brother living within the jurisdiction of one Lodge can affiliate with another Lodge in another jurisdiction. (See Decision 179.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1887.

33. A waiver of jurisdiction in case of a brother seeking to join in the organization of a new Lodge is improper. If he resides in the place where the new Lodge is to start, he is competent to join in a request for a dispensation. Not joining therein, and yet desiring to become a charter member, the law provides the way.

34. No rule can justly apply to all cases as to what evidence shall be required from a visitor before examination. Masters of Lodges should satisfy themselves in their own way.

35. Masonic Burial of Non-Affiliates.—A Lodge requested to act should use its discretion according to the circumstances. The non-affiliate, possessing no inherent right to the service of the Lodge, the favorable disposition of the brethren should be substantially unanimous, of which the Master should be satisfied by ballot or otherwise. Strong objections by members to the burial of a non-affiliate should not be lightly waived.

BY GEORGE K. KIMBALL, 1888.

36. Charges can be preferred by a member of any Lodge against a member of any other Lodge.

37. A man's residence is where his family resides.

38. The questions required to be answered on the petition to be made a Mason, having been answered by the petitioner, it rests with the Lodge to determine the validity of such answers.

39. An unfavorable ballot cannot be reconsidered on any grounds.

40. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 125 does not refer to druggists selling liquor for medicinal purposes.

41. As to physical qualifications, I decided that the Lodges themselves are the better able to judge of the material brought up for the building of the Temple, and calling their attention to the old Landmarks.

42. An installed officer has no right to demand excuse from serving in his official capacity when present. Should an installed officer refuse to serve when present, you can prefer charges against him for unmasonic conduct.

43. A dispensation cannot be issued to elect and install another in place of an officer so refusing.

44. The Worshipful Master has authority to fill a vacancy caused by the contumacy of any officer.

45. A written objection from a member of a Lodge before ballot is sufficient to prevent the degree being conferred on a candidate for the First Degree.

46. A Lodge may elect as honorary members brethren of other jurisdictions. (See By-Law 130.)

47. A Lodge has power to try for offenses any of its members wherever they may reside; also all Masons resident or sojourning within its jurisdiction, whether affiliated or non-affiliated; but when a member of another Lodge, resident in its jurisdiction, commits an offense, Masonic courtesy requires that when practicable complaint be made to his own Lodge. If that fails to act, then it may proceed to try him itself. (See Decisions 143, 169.)

48. Repealed in 1894.

49. A brother cannot sign the petition for membership, or the degrees for another brother.

50. It is not necessary to open a Lodge on the First Degree when it is known that there is no work on the First and Second Degrees.

BY WILLIAM D. TODD, D. G. M., 1888.

51. That not merely is it unlawful to initiate or affiliate any person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors, but that a Mason, a member of any of our Lodges, who may have started in the business subsequent to the recent action of the Grand Lodge, was amenable to the charge of unmasonic conduct, and subject to such penalty as might be inflicted, after due trial and conviction. (See By-Law 125.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1888.

52. An unfavorable report is not recognized as a dark ballot.

53. That the actual traveling expenses of the Grand Master or his duly appointed representative, while visiting Lodges, be paid by the Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to draw warrants on the Grand Treasurer for the same from time to time.

54a. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge recognizes no degrees in Masonry except those conferred under the regulations of the Grand Lodges of the various states and territories of the United States and the governments throughout the world. It admits the following named organizations, and none other, to be regular and duly constituted Masonic bodies, namely: The General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, the Grand Royal Arch Chapters of the several states and territories of the United States and the Royal Arch Chapters and other bodies under their jurisdiction, the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the several states and territories of

the United States and the Councils under their jurisdiction, the Grand Encampment of the United States, the Grand Commanderies of the several states and territories of the United States and the Commanderies under their jurisdiction, the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern and Southern jurisdictions of the United States, of which Henry L. Palmer and Albert Pike are Sovereign Grand Commanders respectively, and the various bodies under their jurisdiction. (See No. 64.)

54b. Repealed in 1895.

BY WILLIAM D. TODD, GRAND MASTER, 1889.

55. One who has served as Master or Warden anywhere in a chartered Lodge is eligible to election here as Master.

56. That the Master of a Lodge indefinitely suspended and subsequently re-instated is restored to all the rights of a Past Master.

57. That all re-elected officers must be re-installed, except as to the Master, and even as to him if practicable.

58. That a petition for a dispensation for a new Lodge must be accompanied by the recommendation of the *nearest Lodge in an air-line*. (See By-Law 20.)

59. That a ballot found white by the Wardens and Master, but one of the members at once rising and stating he had cast a black ball, must be declared dark.

60. That the loss of the sight of an eye by accident, not impairing the other, does not render a candidate ineligible.

61. That a rejected candidate for affiliation can re-petition at once and as often as he may desire.

62. That one engaged in the business of selling intoxicating liquors, though not conducted by him

personally, or in this state, is ineligible for the degrees. (By-Law 125, and Decisions thereunder.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1889.

63. *Question:* Can we bury a brother with Masonic honors where six or eight of the pall-bearers are not Masons?

Answer: No. Masonry is absolute. In answer to correspondence arising out of this, I replied: When Masonic ceremonies are called for, none but Masons in good standing can take part. On such occasions the Lodge is regularly convened, none being admitted but those duly qualified and having permission. The Lodge is not called off, but proceeds to the house, church, or wherever they may be called, take charge of the body (and when they have done so, no one except he be a Mason is admitted), repair to the place of deposit, perform their rites and return to the Lodge room, and the Lodge is closed in form. The Lodge is a Lodge from the time it is opened until it is closed. (Kimball, 1888, approved by the Grand Lodge, 1889.)

64. "At the last session of this Grand Lodge it placed on record a resolution declaring what degrees in Masonry it will recognize; and your committee are of the opinion that no *so-called* Masonic bodies, other than those mentioned in that resolution, can be considered, in any sense, 'Masonic Bodies' in this state."

"Your committee are of the opinion that that resolution should be sufficient to prevent any good Masons paying allegiance to this Grand Lodge, from hereafter becoming members of any bodies claiming to be Masonic, other than those mentioned in that resolution." (See No. 54a.)

65. *Resolved*, That the clause "take the usual course," at the end of Section 61 of By-Laws, be interpreted to mean that the written petition of the

applicant be referred to an Investigating Committee of three members, which committee shall submit a report within one lunar month, as in the case of other petitions for the degrees.

66. Under Section 98, the question of guilt or innocence is to be decided by ballot, and a two-thirds vote is necessary to convict. Under Section 99, the degree of punishment must be determined by a two-thirds vote of the Lodge, whether it be expulsion, indefinite or definite suspension, and the Lodge having convicted a brother of Masonic offense would be guilty of a gross neglect of its Masonic duties should it fail to inflict one of the punishments provided by Section 106, and one which, upon a regular appeal, would subject the Lodge to discipline.

67. *Resolved*, That Most Worshipful Brother H. P. H. Bromwell, Past Grand Master of Illinois, and at present a member of Denver Lodge No. 5, of Denver, Colorado, be and he is hereby declared duly elected as an honorary member of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

BY W. T. BRIDWELL, 1890.

68. A committee appointed by a Lodge to collect testimony can exclude from its meetings all brethren not directly interested in the matter.

69. A brother having served a Lodge as Warden is eligible to election as Master, but aside from this occupies no higher place in the Lodge than any other member.

70. In the absence of general law on the subject, each Lodge has the right to limit the time before which a rejected applicant may apply again; but in the absence of any law, he may apply at any time. (See By-Laws 68 and 69.)

71. Expulsion by a Lodge is from all the rights, privileges and benefits of Masonry, and is final unless reversed by the Grand Lodge. The Lodge

should send notice of such action to other branches of the order of which the expelled was a member.

72. A brother having received one or more degrees and removes from the jurisdiction of the Lodge which received him, remains the material of that Lodge, regardless of where he may go.

73. A Lodge having suspended one of its members for non-payment of dues, cannot in after years remit the amount and restore him to good standing. Suspended or expelled Masons are not worthy objects of Masonic charity.

74. To determine the sufficiency of an objection after ballot, have the case heard by your Lodge in accordance with Section 73, Grand Lodge By-Laws. A unanimous vote will be necessary to entitle the candidate to advancement, the objector not being permitted to vote.

75. Objections to the advancement of a candidate after ballot should be investigated by the Lodge. It is optional with the Master to order charges preferred and enter into a formal trial, or he can order an investigation without the formality of charges. (See By-Law 73.)

76. It is contrary to Masonic custom for Masons to lease their Lodge room for dancing or any other secular purposes. . . . A Masonic Lodge room is a sacred place; and should be regarded with the same degree of respect whether the Fraternity owns the building or leases it.

77. A person having lost the first joint of the thumb or the first three fingers of his right hand is ineligible to be made a Mason.

78. The Tramp Mason.—Lodges should be informed as to the worthiness of such applicants before lending assistance. In all such cases where actual necessity is not manifest, it is not charity to give.

79. A Mason carrying a dimit in this jurisdiction more than one year, without petitioning for affiliation, has no legal claim on the Fraternity.

80. There is no law requiring a Mason to state his reason for applying for a dimit. He enters the Lodge of his own volition, and can not be compelled to remain a member should he elect otherwise.

81. A certificate of good standing is not sufficient evidence for a Lodge to admit a visitor upon. If his regard for Masonry is not sufficient to prompt him to acquire a sufficient degree of Masonic intelligence to make himself known, he does not merit recognition.

82. A Lodge cannot entertain a petition from an applicant who has not resided twelve months within its jurisdiction. This is prohibited by Grand Lodge By-Law No. 55.

83. *Question:* Has one Mason the right to go on the witness stand in a criminal case and attempt to impeach the testimony of another Mason without first informing him that he would do so? *Answer:* If the first witness had testified falsely, and by such testimony attempted to defeat the end of justice, it would be the duty of the second witness to expose such testimony; but if the testimony of the first witness was correct, the second witness was guilty of gross unmasonic conduct, and he should be dealt with accordingly.

84. *Question:* A Mason commits homicide, is tried by the Court and acquitted. Can we accept this as sufficient, or should the Lodge hold an investigation? *Answer:* Yes. The Lodge should take cognizance of the matter regardless of the action of the Court. Courts may err through prejudice, releasing the guilty and punishing the innocent. This does not afford an example for a Masonic Lodge to pattern after. (See No. 110.)

85. Lodges desiring to hold real estate should consult Laws of Colorado, session of 1879, pages 110 and 111.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1890.

86. By-Law 125 was construed to include all persons engaged in *the business* of selling intoxicating liquors, and to all others, in any business, selling intoxicating liquors *as* beverages.

BY E. L. N. FOSTER, 1891.

87. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice Degree in another jurisdiction, is their material, and the Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees can only be conferred on him in one of two ways:

First—The Lodge which conferred the first degree can make a request to another Lodge to confer the remaining degrees, when no ballot should be taken as to the qualifications of the candidate, but a majority vote of the Lodge to do the work would be proper; the candidate could then become a member of the Lodge making the request, and the fee should be paid to it. The Lodge, however, should require proficiency in each preceding degree before conferring the next.

Second—The Lodge can ask waiver of jurisdiction, which being granted, the candidate can petition in the regular way, setting forth the additional facts, accompanied by a certificate of the Lodge that conferred the first degree.

88. A request for waiver of jurisdiction must be made before ballot.

89. A brother can not completely sever his connection with the Fraternity; there is no way by which he can be relieved of his obligations.

90. Lodges under dispensation can not collect dues, as they have no By-Laws. They are governed by the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

91. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge has authority to discharge an investigating committee

when it fails to report, but it should only be done in exceptional cases; it is better to give the old committee further time.

92. A Lodge is not legally compelled to pay the funeral expenses of a brother, even though one of its own members, but can dispense its charity in the way it deems best.

93. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge errs in refusing to allow a member to examine the Lodge records.

94. A Lodge cannot appear as such, to escort a Commandery of Knights Templar performing funeral services. If Master Masons attend a funeral as a Lodge, they must have charge of the ceremonies.

95. Section 55, Grand Lodge By-Laws, refers to petitions for initiation only.

96. As no colored Lodges have been recognized in this jurisdiction, it is improper to permit the use of our Lodge rooms to install the officers of so-called colored Lodges.

97. The regularly elected and appointed officers of a Lodge, with the exception of a Tiler, must be members.

98. The absence of the letter of dispensation of a Lodge renders the meeting irregular, and any work done illegal.

99. A candidate initiated when the letter of dispensation was absent is irregularly made, and should be healed before proceeding further.

100. It is unnecessary to obtain a permit from the Grand Master for a Past Master to install the regularly elected officers of a Lodge. (See Decision 167.)

101. The geographical jurisdiction of Lodges under dispensation is the same as that of chartered Lodges.

102. When it is discovered that a petitioner for the degrees resides without the jurisdiction of

the Lodge which received his petition, the fact should be spread upon the minutes, and provided a waiver of jurisdiction can not be obtained, the petition and fee should be returned to the petitioner, with the information that if he desires the degrees, he must apply to the Lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides.

BY JOHN M. MAXWELL, 1892.

103. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 56 covers petitions for affiliation, and as a dimit is made a part of the petition for affiliation under Grand Lodge By-Law No. 59, the dimit cannot be returned to the petitioner unless his petition should be rejected.

104. No authority is vested in the Grand Master to appoint officers of a Subordinate Lodge to act during the temporary absence of the officers of the Lodge.

105. Only those whose names appear in the dispensation, and those raised under it, can vote upon petitions for the degrees in Lodges under dispensation.

106. An annual election in a Subordinate Lodge held at any other time than that designated by the By-Laws of the Lodge, is irregular and void, unless such election is held by virtue of a special dispensation granted by the Grand Master. (See By-Law 42a.)

107. The Secretary of a Lodge has no authority to issue summonses for any purposes, unless instructed so to do by the Worshipful Master, or the Lodge. (See By-Law 90.)

108. The election to the Mastership of a brother ineligible to hold that office, unless by special dispensation granted by the Grand Master, is irregular and void.

109. A Lodge having elected a member to the office of Senior Warden, upon the refusal of the brother to be installed, cannot at a date subsequent

to the date for its annual election, elect any one else to that office, except by special dispensation granted by the Grand Master.

110. It is the duty of a Lodge to proceed with the trial of a brother charged with a Masonic offense regardless of the action or non-action of the courts of the state. (See No. 84.)

111. A brother having made application to his Lodge for a dimit, can withdraw his application at any time before the Lodge has taken action upon it.

112. A Junior Warden cannot prefer charges in his official capacity, except by order of the Lodge.

113. A Lodge under dispensation cannot act upon a petition for initiation unless the applicant has resided within the jurisdiction of the Lodge under dispensation during the preceding twelve months. (See By-Law 55.)

114. A man who has lost the left hand at the wrist, is ineligible to be made a Mason.

115. A Lodge cannot entertain the petition of one who is acting as the agent of a brewing company, and as such selling bottled beer by the barrel. (See By-Law 125. Decisions 115, 132, 172, 239.)

116. The doctrine of "perpetual jurisdiction" is not recognized in this jurisdiction.

117. Repealed in 1894.

118. A brother bringing himself within the requirements of Grand Lodge By-Law No. 85, is entitled to a dimit, although he has failed to pay an assessment levied by the Lodge, and the Worshipful Master of the Lodge should not refuse to sign or withhold the dimit.

119. A man who is deformed by one leg being shorter than the other, is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

120. A man who has lost the first two fingers of his right hand is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

121. A "physically defective man," being very lame, is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1892.

122. It is clearly the duty of the Master of a Lodge to suspend from office an officer of his Lodge for unbecoming or unmasonic conduct, in advance of charges and trial for such conduct. (See Decision 155.)

123. It is unlawful to receive the petition to be made a Mason of a man engaged in selling liquor on commission. (See By-Law 125.)

124. A Masonic apron should be of white leather only. We recommend that the presentation of the apron in the First Degree be an actual presentation, and that it be made the duty of the Secretary of the Lodge to inscribe or have inscribed upon the under side of it the name of the brother receiving it, together with the date of his initiation, to which shall be added the date of his passing and raising when the same shall have been accomplished.

125. That hereafter, in making the annual returns, the Secretaries of all the Lodges be required to report the ages of all the members. (See By-Law 37.)

BY W. D. WRIGHT, 1893.

126. A Lodge, as such, has no authority to attend funeral services held at a church in connection with other societies, the remains of the brother to be afterwards shipped away for burial.

127. After a portion of the Entered Apprentice Degree had been conferred upon a candidate, it was discovered that he had lost the first two joints of the forefinger of his right hand. He was returned to the preparation room, proceedings stopped, and the matter submitted to the Grand Master. I held

that, having in view all the circumstances of the case, he could be made a Mason.

128. Repealed in 1894.

129. *Question:* Can a Lodge, having opened on regular meeting night (Tuesday), be then called from labor to refreshment, to meet again the following Monday at the sound of the gavel in the East?

Answer: No.

130. A Lodge can try a brother after his term of office has expired, for a Masonic offense committed while he was Worshipful Master.

131. In a case where defective hearing compelled a candidate to resort to an artificial device to enable him to hear a whisper: Held, that a Lodge was better able to judge of his qualifications in that respect. (See By-Law 148.)

132. *Question:* Is a stockholder in a brewery, a corporation making and selling beer, eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry under our laws, the person not being in any way actively connected with the business of making or selling the beer, but owning the stock only as an investment?

Answer: No. (See By-Law 125, and Decisions 115, 172, 239.)

133. A brother having died while regularly under suspension for non-payment of dues cannot afterwards be reinstated by his Lodge.

134. Any prior arrangement or understanding by which a candidate is to have the fees paid for the degrees in Masonry refunded to him, is unmasonic.

135. In a Masonic trial the Lodge is not governed by technical rules of evidence. Anything properly tending to throw light upon the facts and bring out the truth should be admitted in evidence.

136. A Grand Master as such cannot properly interfere with or undertake to settle business differences between individual Masons.

137. A brother past sixty years of age, in the absence of any Lodge By-Law governing, is not exempt from Lodge dues.

138. In the absence of the Master, the Senior or Junior Warden being present, may, through courtesy or from any cause in the discretion of the Warden, request a Past Master to open as well as preside over the Lodge.

139. In case of an applicant who had lost the first three fingers of his left hand, calling attention to Grand Lodge By-Law No. 74, and to the Ancient Landmarks and Regulations of Masonry, he left the Lodge to be the judge as to the physical qualifications. (See No. 148.)

140. Repealed in 1894.

141. When a brother, against whom no charges are pending pays all Lodge dues and regularly makes application for a dimit, a written objection by an individual brother is not a bar to the issuance of such dimit. If the matters he bases his objections on are serious enough to warrant such course, and if the objecting brother wishes to prefer charges, he should be given reasonable opportunity to do so.

142. Upon the petition of an unmarried man, stating that he was and had for years been a resident within the jurisdiction of the Lodge, he was duly elected and received the Entered Apprentice Degree. Afterwards, and because it appeared that the petitioner had made a homestead filing on land within its jurisdiction, which homestead he had also claimed as his residence, a second Lodge claimed him as its material. The first Lodge so far conceded such claim as to have turned over the initiation fee to the second Lodge, which latter Lodge I was advised, expected to confer the Second Degree on said applicant, at the time the matter was submitted to me.

Held: That the applicant in his petition having claimed his residence within its jurisdiction, and being still an actual resident there, said first Lodge having acted in good faith, was entitled to the initiation fee, and the applicant was its material, and if

permitted to proceed further, the remaining degrees should be conferred upon him by said first Lodge.

143. A Lodge in this jurisdiction, before proceeding with trial, in case of a brother belonging to a Lodge in another jurisdiction, should notify his Lodge, and afford it ample opportunity to be represented in any proper way, if it so wishes, in the trial of one of its members. (See Nos. 47 and 169.)

144. The word "finding," as used in Section 100 of Grand Lodge By-Laws, means a finding of the different facts, which, in the opinion of the commission, seem to be established by the evidence, the Lodge having the sole right to determine, upon said finding of facts, the question of guilt or innocence.

145. It would be improper for a brother who must be a witness upon the trial, to serve as one of the commission to whom the case is referred, and thus be in a position of passing judgment upon the merits of his own testimony.

146. Lodge having opened on the first degree, and having work in that degree fully prepared, may proceed with initiation before opening on the third degree, or may open on the third and afterwards reopen on the first for the purpose of work.

147. In a case where five brothers signed charges, as Grand Lodge By-Law, Section 95, provides that charges "must be signed by the accuser," and Section 97 further provides that at the conclusion of the trial both the accused and the accuser shall retire; held, that if the case submitted should be carried to a conclusion in its present shape, the five brothers who have signed such charges could not be permitted to vote upon the final determination of the case.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1893.

148. While it be eminently proper that Subordinate Lodges determine the eligibility for the degrees of candidates, that they must nevertheless

always be governed by the spirit of the law, which provides "that he must not be incapable of learning the art and becoming perfect in the work."

149. In the case of a brother known to be unable to pay, his Lodge may remit and release him from payment of Lodge dues, provided that there be no By-Law of the Lodge prohibiting such action.

150. The proposed Worshipful Master of any new Lodge, before receiving the recommendation of any other Lodge for a dispensation, shall present to that Lodge a certificate from the Grand Lecturer that he is proficient in the esoteric work of this jurisdiction in addition to the other requirements. (See By-Law 20.)

151. An Entered Apprentice desiring to take the remaining degrees in a Lodge other than the Lodge conferring the first degree, is not required to reside in the new jurisdiction twelve months before applying.

BY J. C. SANFORD, 1894.

152. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees in 1890, it is proper to confer the degrees upon him regardless of the time which has elapsed. (See By-Law 39.)

153. No Mason can be deprived of any Masonic right except by ballot. (See By-Law 94.)

154. A brother was sentenced to receive a reprimand in open Lodge at the following Stated Communication. The brother failed to present himself or give any cause for not being present as instructed by the Worshipful Master. What course should we pursue?

Answer: Issue summons for him to appear at the next Stated Communication, and should he refuse to obey, the Lodge should at once prefer charges for contumacy. A Lodge must itself execute the sentence it has itself imposed. (See By-Law 108.)

155. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge has the power and authority to suspend any of its officers from office, pending charges and fill the vacancy *pro tem*, until the charges are disposed of. He must announce each suspension in open Lodge and have the same entered of record in the minutes of that communication. (See Decision 122.)

156. The decision of the Worshipful Master in his Lodge is final, but an appeal always lies from such decisions to the Grand Lodge.

157. It is proper for the Worshipful Master of a Lodge to resign the chair to the Senior Warden, who is not a Past Master, during the trial of a brother for a Masonic offense, there being other regular Past Masters present, and the Master remain upon the floor and take part in the proceedings the same as other members.

158. It is not only right but the duty of the Worshipful Master to appoint some brother to represent the accused as counsel during his absence in a Masonic trial. This, however, should not be a bar to other members who might desire to be heard upon the subject. (See By-Law 104.)

159. The Worshipful Master has the right to excuse any member from the Lodge room after trial has begun and before the ballot is taken upon the guilt or innocence of the accused.

160. A brother having had charges preferred against him for unmasonic conduct at a Stated Communication, may be summoned to appear and answer the charges at either a Stated or Called Communication. (See No. 232.)

161. *Question:* After the accused has plead "not guilty," can the Lodge hold the trial at a special meeting, or may they proceed with the trial at the same meeting that the accused enters plea of "not guilty?"

Answer: Should the accused waive lawful notice, the mutual agreement between him and the

Lodge is sufficient to proceed with the trial; but should the accused insist upon going to trial at once, and the Lodge is not ready, the Master must exercise his right to postpone. In this case lawful notice must be given to the accused. A trial may take place at either a Stated or Called Communication, so that the communication has been set apart for the purpose. (See By-Law 96.)

162. *Question:* Is it necessary for each member of a Lodge to have notice of the time and place of a Masonic trial? If so, which is proper, a notice or a summons?

Answer: Members should be notified to attend when business is to be transacted which is of great importance and of vital interest to the welfare of the Lodge. Summons should be used only in extreme cases or actual necessity.

163. It is not necessary that the accused be furnished with a list of witnesses who will testify against him at a trial for unmasonic conduct.

164. The written application for a dimit (as provided for in Section 85, Grand Lodge By-Laws), should be presented at a Stated Communication of the Lodge. The mere filing of any paper with the Secretary does not make it officially received until he has read the same in open Lodge, by and with the consent of the Worshipful Master.

165. Expulsion by a Lodge is from all the rights, privileges and benefits of Masonry, and is final, unless reversed by the Grand Lodge. Such sentence begins its effect *immediately* upon the decision of the Lodge having jurisdiction, and is in no wise affected by the demand of the accused for an appeal to the Grand Lodge. (See By-Law 107.)

166. In the absence of the letter of dispensation from the Grand Master, the election of a brother from the floor to the Mastership is null and void. (See Decision 6.)

167. When not public, a Past Master may, when invited by proper authority, install the officers of a chartered Lodge without commission or dispensation of the Grand Master. (See Decision No. 100.)

168. Lodge A. accepted the petition of Mr. F., who is a county official. He has resided continuously for three years within the jurisdiction of Lodge B. He owns and claims as his home a ranch within the jurisdiction of Lodge A., and has also kept that as his legal residence or voting place. Has Lodge A., by receiving said petition, trespassed upon the jurisdiction of Lodge B?

Held: That as the official duties of the applicant compelled him to reside within the jurisdiction of Lodge B., it was but a temporary or forced residence, and as he had not changed his legal residence, he was material of Lodge A.

169. *Question:* Can Lodge A. try a member of Lodge B. for unmasonic conduct, both Lodges being in the same jurisdiction and but eighteen miles apart; Lodge A. first obtaining a waiver of jurisdiction from Lodge B., who granted the same immediately, or without first notifying the accused brother of the request. Did Lodge B. err in its action?

Answer: By-Law 84 reads: "The conduct of all Masons shall subject them to discipline by the Lodge within whose jurisdiction they reside," etc. That decision No. 47 refers to either the territorial jurisdiction of a Lodge (which is bounded by geographical centers between it and contiguous Lodges), or the political boundaries of the several states (which have been by unanimous consent defined as the limits of the several Grand Lodge jurisdictions.) That inasmuch as Lodge A. has complied with all the requirements of both courtesy and otherwise as provided for by Decision No. 143, and Lodge B. had waived any rights they may have had or could assume over one of its members to Lodge A., it could proceed with the trial as though the accused was one of its own members. Without judging upon the

merits of the case, it would seem that Masonic courtesy and brotherly regard for one of its members should have prompted Lodge B. to give the accused brother an opportunity to explain.

170. It is not necessarily a qualification for the newly elected Master of a Lodge to receive the Past Master's degree before he can preside, but it is recommended that he should receive it as soon as practicable after installation. (See By-Law 48.)

171. *Question:* A Chapter Mason and member of a Lodge was elected, installed and served one year as Master. Is he then an actual Past Master? And can he assist in the conferring of the Past Master's Degree?

Answer: Literally speaking, a brother having been elected and served one year as Worshipful Master is a Past Master, but not having received the Past Master's Degree is not entitled to sit in a Lodge of Past Masters. Nor does the Past Master's Degree conferred in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons invest the brother with any rank or authority in a Lodge of Master Masons.

172. *Question:* A brother presents a dimit and petition for affiliation, the Committee on Character finds that he is the proprietor of a hotel and keeps a bar in connection therewith. Have we a right to accept him a member?

Answer: No. (See By-Law 125, and Decisions 115, 132, 239.)

173. *Question:* In casting a ballot for the passing or raising of a brother, what question is voted upon—the examination in the lecture of last degree received, or the intellectual, moral and Masonic qualifications?

Answer: Grand Lodge By-Law No. 65 is based upon the theory that conditions may change with a candidate from the time in which he received the First Degree, or Second, and presents himself for advancement; or, in other words, he is put upon probation. Therefore, the ballot is spread for each degree

upon the intellectual, moral and Masonic qualifications, etc.

The silent acquiescence of the Lodge or Master would be sufficient evidence that the brother had passed a satisfactory examination as provided for by Section 75. Providing that no degree shall be conferred until ballot be spread as provided for by Section 65.

174. Grand Lodge By-Laws No. 65 and 66 apply to petitions for affiliation as well as for initiation.

175. A brother desiring to affiliate with a Lodge in this jurisdiction, and whose Lodge is not permitted to issue a dimit, should present with his petition a certificate of good standing and statement of facts.

Should action upon his petition be favorable, the Secretary should, under seal of the Lodge, request the brother's dimit, and when received cancel the same as provided for by By-Law 89.

176. A man whose left arm has been amputated at the wrist is ineligible to be made a Mason.

177. *Question:* How should a Lodge proceed to prefer charges against a brother for unmasonic conduct for an offense committed against one of its members within the jurisdiction of the Lodge other than the one in which either resides—the offending member holding his membership outside the state?

Answer: Have your Lodge prepare the charges and specifications, together with all collateral testimony, and forward the same to the Lodge nearest the residence of the accused, with the request that they proceed with the formalities of the trial, your Lodge being represented by the Junior Warden of the trial Lodge.

178. *Question:* A petition was received in due form for initiation, the petition was referred to a committee of investigation, which was unable to locate the petitioner until a communication was re-

ceived from him seven months after date of his petition. He then stated that he had removed from the state and would not return to Colorado, and requesting that the fee which accompanied his petition be returned to him.

First—Can the fee be returned to him without the Lodge having first acted upon his petition?

Answer: No. (See Grand Lodge By-Law No. 56.) (See No. 238.)

Should you return the fee, you would virtually withdraw the petition. The petition being in regular form, and your Lodge had jurisdiction, there is but one way to dispose of it, to-wit, by ballot.

Second—Should action upon the petition be favorable, what should be the method of procedure?

Answer: Have your Secretary, when notifying him of his election, call his attention to Grand Lodge By-Law No. 60, and if it should be impossible for him to be present to receive the degree in your Lodge, upon request from him your Lodge would request a Lodge near his new place of residence to do the work for you.

Third—Would the Lodge be justified in taking action upon the petition by the committee reporting that they were unable to locate the petitioner?

Answer: No. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 62 prescribes the form of report, and in order that your Lodge may have the necessary information, your committee should correspond with either a Masonic Lodge or individual Masons near his place of residence. This information, and such as they could glean from the members recommending the petition, would be sufficient for your Lodge to act upon.

179. A brother residing within the jurisdiction of one Lodge has the right, and it is his privilege, to affiliate with and become a member of any Lodge in another jurisdiction, Grand or Subordinate, that he may select. By uniting with a Lodge, no matter how distant, he complies with the obligation of affli-

ation, and by thus contributing to the support of the institution he discharges his duty as a Mason and becomes entitled to all the privileges of the order. (See Decision 32.)

180. *Question:* A member of our Lodge was one of the number to whom a charter was granted at the last session of the Grand Lodge. Said member was in arrears for dues for more than one year, and had never received a certificate of good standing from our Lodge. Is he not still a member of our Lodge?

Answer: The Grand Lodge, having granted a charter for a new Lodge, and the brother's name being among the number to whom the same was granted, his membership immediately ceased in your Lodge and began in the new. (See By-Law 22.)

181. A man having a deformed right hand, with fingers but one inch in length, is ineligible to be made a Mason.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1894.

182. Three Master Masons may open a Lodge and transact business.

183. St. John's Day is only a festival day of the Craft, and not a day for labor or the transaction of Lodge business, unless it falls on the day for the Stated Communication.

184. The members of a Lodge should be allowed to exercise their judgment in the bestowal of charity. If a Lodge, by a majority vote, wishes to contribute to the funeral expenses of a deceased suspended Mason, they should be allowed to do so.

185. An expelled Mason, or his representative, on his request and at his expense, can have a transcript of the testimony furnished the Grand Lodge, in connection with the petition and recommendation for reinstatement. (See By-Law 110.)

186. The apron shall be worn over the outer garment.

187. Hereafter, this Grand Lodge, through the office of its Grand Secretary, shall supply each Subordinate Lodge, upon request, all blank books and blanks that are necessary, at the actual cost thereof, and from and after January 1, 1895, the use of all other forms of books and blanks shall be forbidden; *provided*, that this edict shall not prevent any Lodge continuing the use of such books of record and ledgers as they now have, but they shall in future supply themselves as herein provided. A committee of three shall be appointed to prepare such set of forms, which, when approved by the Grand Master, shall be the approved forms as herein provided for.

188. The practice of life membership, by which a member is exempted from all future payment of dues, by paying a fixed sum in cash, is against all the best interests of Masonry. Therefore, the same is from this time forbidden; *provided*, however, that this action shall not in any way affect life memberships heretofore granted.

BY W. L. BUSH, 1895.

189. The Master elect assumes the duties of his office as soon as he is installed.

190. "A," a single man, resided in "K" county, receiving a federal appointment, he moves his effects to "P" county and there lives, as his official duties require, but for political purposes retains his residence in "K" county. After being in "P" county several months (less than twelve), he petitions a Masonic Lodge in "P" county for initiation, accompanying same by consent and waiver of jurisdiction of Lodge having jurisdiction of town in "K" county, where "A" formerly lived.

Question 1: Can Lodge in "P" county receive and act upon petition?

Answer: No. Under Grand Lodge By-Law No. 55, he must have resided twelve months within the jurisdiction of the Lodge to which he petitions.

Question 2: If not, can it receive and act upon his petition after he has been in "P" county twelve months?

Answer: Yes, provided the petition is accompanied by a waiver of jurisdiction from the Lodge where he claims his residence.

Question 3: What is the Masonic residence of a single man?

Answer: A single man's residence is where he votes.

191. A Lodge can not receive shares of stock or outstanding bonds of a Masonic Temple or Building Association in payment of the fees for the degrees.

192. A Worshipful Master can not dismiss the charges against a brother. The Lodge must proceed to trial, unless the charges are ordered dismissed by a two-thirds vote of the Lodge.

193. A petition for waiver of jurisdiction may be acted upon at the same meeting at which it is received.

194. A Lodge may suspend a brother for non-payment of dues, after due charges, trial and conviction, at any time during the year 1895, when he is owing for the years 1894 and 1895. The Lodge By-Laws providing for the payment of dues annually in advance.

195. Where two or more Lodges hold concurrent jurisdiction in a city, their jurisdiction would extend by an air line one-half way from the city limits to surrounding Lodges.

196. Under Section 71 of Grand Lodge By-Laws objection may be made to the advancement of a candidate at any time, either before or after a ballot is taken for his advancement.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1895.

197. Whereas, There are business organizations operating within the jurisdiction of this Grand

Lodge under various titles, but claiming to be Masonic in character, such as "The Masonic Benefit Association," "The Masonic Accident Association," "The Masons Fraternal Accident Association," "Masonic Restaurant," and others of like character,

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge hereby notifies the Masons within its jurisdiction that all such organizations, corporations or societies are using the word "Masonic" in their titles without any right whatever, so far as this Grand Lodge is concerned, and that we deprecate the use of the term in a business connection as wrong and unmasonic.

BY W. D. PEIRCE, 1896.

198. In the absence of the Worshipful Master and Wardens, a Past Master cannot open the Lodge. Past Masters possess no greater authority in this respect than any other member.

199. By-Law No. 122 applies to Masons who were dropped from the rolls of Lodges for non-payment of dues, prior to September 19, 1883.

200. It is a Masonic offense for the Master or Wardens of a Lodge to make known to any one the number of black balls cast in rejection of an applicant. A brother seeking such information is subject to discipline.

201. It is not proper for Secretaries to give copies of testimony taken in Masonic trials, to members or profanes, without the consent of the Lodge. In which event the Lodge will be governed by By-Law No. 109.

202. In Masonic trials, the charges and specifications should be spread at length upon the records, but not the testimony. The testimony shall be taken in writing and placed on file, as it is the property of the Lodge; if no appeal is taken, the testimony, by vote of the Lodge, may be destroyed.

203. The Worshipful Master has the right to call either of the Wardens, or invite a competent brother from the floor to the East, and permit him to confer the degrees. In case a brother is called from the floor, one of the three principal officers must be and remain present.

204. A Lodge cannot hold a Stated Communication at a different hour from that named in its By-Laws.

205. The Masonic standing of any brother, be he Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft or Master Mason, is only impaired by sentence of a Lodge after due trial.

206. It is not a necessary qualification that the proposed Worshipful Master of a Lodge Under Dispensation be a Past Master or Past Warden, nor is this qualification necessary at the constitution of a new Lodge.

207. If a deceased brother is to be sent to some distant point for burial, the brethren may, out of respect of his memory, open the Lodge, form procession and escort the remains to the railway depot, or other convenient place of transit, and then return to the Lodge room, closing in due form.

208. There is no objection to a Lodge using its hall and adjoining rooms for innocent social pleasures, such use being restricted to Masons, their families and invited guests.

209. It is not regular, nor does it conform to the Ritual, to open the Lodge on the First Degree and then open on the Third Degree, omitting the Second Degree. The proper form, when there is work on the First and Third Degrees, is to open on the Second Degree also.

210. Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges may issue to the widows and orphans of deceased members, who were in good standing, certificates to that effect, with the seal of the Lodge attached.

211. A brother, to be reinstated in the Lodge from which he was regularly suspended for non-payment of dues must—

First—Obtain recognition, by paying all dues to date of suspension.

Second—Regularly petition the Lodge for reinstatement, and the petition must lie over one lunar month before ballot.

Third—A two-thirds vote of all members present must be favorable to reinstate.

Should the Lodge refuse to reinstate the brother,

First—He may renew his petition at any Stated Communication.

Second—The money paid over to cover the amount of arrearage belongs to the Lodge, and can not be returned to him, except by a majority vote of the members present.

Third—The law of this Grand Jurisdiction does not seek to take away the prerogatives of a Lodge, by compelling it to reinstate against its will its former members.

Fourth—His status is, if the dues are held or returned, a suspended Mason.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1896.

212. In the absence of any work on the degrees, one of the principal officers of the Lodge is required, at least once in every two months, to deliver one of the three lectures of the degrees, in their order, and so report to the Grand Master or Grand Lecturer.

213. No Lodge shall incur any indebtedness beyond \$10 per capita, without the approval of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge.

214. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall be required to furnish surety on their official bonds of some reliable surety company, to be approved by the Grand Master, the premium therefor to be paid as other expenses of the Grand Lodge.

215. Any real or personal property acquired by the Grand Lodge may be sold at any time, at such price and on such terms as may be satisfactory to the four principal officers of the Grand Lodge, or a majority of them.

BY GEORGE W. ROE, 1897.

216. No Representative to the Grand Lodge, or Grand Lodge Officer, traveling on a pass, is entitled to mileage.

217. In this Grand Jurisdiction, the holding of a dimit more than one year by a brother does not invalidate the same.

218. No Lodge shall affiliate or admit as a visitor a Mason hailing from and made in any Lodge chartered by the Gran Dieta of Mexico.

219. Question—Lodge R. asked Lodge E. for a waiver of jurisdiction, which, being balloted on, was not granted. Lodge R. immediately made a second request for a waiver in the same case. Does Lodge E. have to wait six months before it can ballot on the second request? Answer—No.

220. When spreading a ballot and either the black or white balls become exhausted before the ballot is completed, thereby giving no choice of ballot, it is illegal.

221. So long as a man is physically qualified and of sound mind, he is not debarred by reason of old age from becoming a Mason.

222. It is the duty of the Worshipful Master to see before spreading the ballot that there is a sufficient number of black and white balls in the box to secure a unanimous ballot, either "black" or "white," should the members so select. Upon spreading the ballot as to the guilt or innocence of a brother, a member arose and informed the Worshipful Master that he had no choice, there being no access to the black balls, whereupon the Master ordered the box

taken to the Wardens and ballots counted, and then proceeded with the ballot from where it was stopped, and upon being counted resulted in a verdict of not guilty, lacking only four ballots of the necessary two-thirds for conviction. *Held*, that the verdict of "not guilty" should be set aside on account of material irregularity in the proceedings, in not arranging for a free and full expression of the members present, according to their convictions, and declared all proceedings had as null and void, and ordered a new trial upon the charges and specifications, and at the second trial such testimony as was in the hands of the Secretary and verified by the witnesses at the former trial should be admitted in evidence at the time, without taking it down in writing a second time.

223. A man who has lost his left foot at the ankle is ineligible to be made a Mason.

224. A person who has lost the third finger of his right hand is eligible to receive the degrees of Masonry.

BY THE GRAND LODGE.

225. Lodge records should not show the character of the report of investigating committees. The record should only show that the report was made.

BY CROMWELL TUCKER, 1898.

226. A profane who has petitioned a lodge for initiation, and said lodge becomes defunct before the petition is acted upon and returns him the fee, may apply at once to another lodge, having the same territorial jurisdiction as the one first petitioned.

227. It is not permissible for a lodge to hold alternate communications in two separate municipalities, even if closely adjacent.

228. A blind man is not eligible to petition for the degrees in Masonry.

229. A man who has lost the last three fingers and the first joint of the index finger of the left hand, is not eligible to be made a Mason.

230. *Written* notice to each member of a lodge, of time of a Masonic trial, is sufficient under ordinary circumstances. If extraordinary complications exist, or arise during the progress of trial, the Worshipful Master should use his judgment as to issue of summons.

231. Personal service of summons should be made on all resident members. If the attendance of members, living at a distance, is necessary, service by mail, to the last known address, is sufficient.

232. If use of the mails is necessary for the service of charges, or other notices, on an accused brother, the letter, or package, should be registered.

233. If an accused brother pleads guilty, such evidence as can be obtained to prove the extent of his offense, should be submitted to the lodge, so that the members may use due judgment in determining the proper degree of punishment to be inflicted.

234. There is nothing in our laws which would prevent a lodge from sub-renting a hall from the Knights of Pythias, if desirable to do so; *provided*, the location is a proper one, and the hall is in every way suitable.

235. A lodge should not admit any visitor without due examination; except upon the voucher direct, or through another brother, of a brother who has sat in a lodge with, or has properly examined him, and knows him to be in good standing. The voucher of a brother who may have met him in the Consistory, Commandery, Council or Chapter, and has no other knowledge of his standing in the lodge, is not lawful information.

236. It is not permissible for officers to wear their jewels of office, and the members to wear their aprons, at a public entertainment given by their lodge.

237. It would not be proper for a lodge to join in presenting a petition to the Senate of the United States, or to take part in National, State or Municipal affairs.

238. It is necessary for a lodge to ballot on every petition for initiation; no matter what the report of the committee may be. Applications of rejected candidates and the findings of the committee, should not, under any circumstances, be surrendered to the applicant; such documents being the sole property of the lodge.

239. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 125, and the decisions thereunder, expressly provide that no person engaged in, or profiting by, the sale of intoxicating liquors, can be admitted to membership, either by petition for the degrees, or for affiliation; hence, the petition of a stockholder of a corporation engaged, either wholly or partially, in such prohibited business, can not be entertained, nor can the petition of an employee of such corporation, provided he sells or handles liquors for his employers, be received. In the case of an employee of a corporation partially engaged in the traffic, who neither handles nor sells liquors for his employers and agrees not to do so, in the future, his petition may be accepted. (See Nos. 115, 152, 172.)

240. A Mason, hailing from the Grand Orient of Italy, whose lodge is now extinct, presents a diploma and certificate of the Grand Secretary, setting forth that the lodge is defunct, and that the brother was a member thereof. Are those documents sufficient to accompany a petition for membership in this jurisdiction? I decided:

That the credentials submitted are not sufficient for the purpose indicated, owing to the fact that reciprocal relations have not been established between the "Grand Oriente della Massoneria Italia" and the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

BY THE GRAND LODGE.

241. It is legal and proper to close on the third degree and resume labor on a preceding degree, when work is to be done.

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FORMS.

PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Lodge
No....., A. F. & A. M.

THE PETITION of the subscriber respectfully represents that he is a MASTER MASON in good standing, and was formerly a member of Lodge No....., in the town of..... under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of, from which he has regularly withdrawn, a certificate of which from the Secretary of said Lodge accompanies this his petition, and he now prays admission as a member of your Lodge, if found worthy.

His place of residence is By
occupation he is a He was born,
A. D., at

Dated, A. D. 18....

Recommended by

..... } Master
..... } Masons. Signed.....

Endorsed on back as follows:

Petition offor Membership.

Received, 18.., and referred to Brethren

..... Report due, 18...

Ballot had, 18... Result

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Brother
....., beg leave to report that they have duly
considered the same and have carefully and diligently enquired
into the standing and character of the petitioner, and find him to
be worthy, and recommend that the prayer of his petition
be granted.

Given under our hands this..... day of, A. D. 18...

..... }
..... } Committee.
..... }

PETITION TO BE MADE A MASON.

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Lodge
No., A. F. & A. Masons:*

The Petition of the subscriber respectfully represents that having long entertained a favorable opinion of your ancient institution, he is desirous, if found worthy, of being admitted a member thereof. If accepted, he pledges himself to a cheerful obedience to all the requirements of your By-Laws, and to the established rules and regulations of the Fraternity. He was born, A. D., at; his occupation is that of a; his residence

Dated at, this day of, A. L. 58..

Recommended by

..... 	}	<i>Master Masons.</i>
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The following questions are also required to be answered in writing by the petitioner, and the answers annexed to said petition:

Where were you born?

How long have you lived in Colorado?

How long have you lived within the jurisdiction of this Lodge?

Have you ever applied for the degrees of Masonry, and, if so, when and in what Lodge?

Do you believe in the existence of one ever-living and true God?

Do you know of any physical, legal or moral reason which should prevent you from becoming a Free Mason?

Are you engaged in any manner in the liquor traffic; and do you agree not to become so engaged in the future?

On the back of the petition shall be the following:

Petition for initiation of Mr.	Recommended
by	
Petition received	18.. Referred to
.....	
Report due	18.. Report received
.....	
18.. Ballot had	
18.. Result	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Hall of Lodge No. ..., A. F. & A. M.
To Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of said Lodge:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mr.
 for initiation, find in answer to the below
 interrogatories as follows:

1. What is his age?
2. Is he married or single?
3. If married, is he living with his wife?
4. What is his occupation and where is he employed?
5. Is he physically qualified for admission?
6. What is the character of his company and associates?
7. Is he addicted to the intemperate use of intoxicating
 liquor?
8. Does he gamble?
9. Does he habitually use profane or indecent language?
10. Has he licentious or immoral habits?
11. Is he a law-abiding citizen?
12. Does he possess sufficient education and intelligence to
 understand and value the doctrines and tenets of Masonry?
13. Has he ever made previous application for the degrees?
 and if so, where and when?
14. State any other facts of value to the Lodge in arriving
 at a correct conclusion.

Given under our hands this..... day of
 A. D. 18...

.....	}	Committee.
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SUMMONS.

Hall ofLodge No., A. F. & A. M.
 Colorado,18....

Brother.....

By order ofW. M., you are hereby summoned to attend a Communication ofLodge No. ...
 A. F. & A. M., on evening, the day of
A. L. 58., at .. o'clock, at the usual place
 of meeting.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Lodge this.....
 day ofA. L. 58..

.....*Secretary.*

Endorsed on back as follows:

SUMMONS.

To Bro.....

Service.—I have served the within summons by
 Witness my hand this day of A. L. 58...

CHARGES FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

By order of Lodge No...., A. F. & A. M., I hereby charge Brother with unmasonic conduct in neglecting to pay Lodge dues from the day of to the day of

Dated, A. D. 18...

.....
Junior Warden.

RECEIPT FOR DUES AND CERTIFYING TO GOOD STANDING.

To

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Upon Receipt of

..... Dollars,

in full for his Lodge dues up to

..... A. D. 18...

Dated..... A. D. 18...

..... Secretary.

To All Free and Accepted Masons, Greeting:

As Secretary of..... Lodge No....., A. F. & A. M.,
duly constituted and now working under a Charter from the M. W.
Grand Lodge of Colorado,

—: I DO HEREBY CERTIFY: —

That Brother..... is a Master Mason, member of

our Lodge in good standing, and by the payment of

..... Dollars, receipt whereof is hereby acknowl-

[SEAL]

edged, he has paid all Lodge dues charged against

him up to..... day of..... A. D. 18.....

Given at..... Colorado, this

..... day of..... A. D. 18.....

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Secretary.

PETITION FOR DISPENSATION.

To M. W.Grand Master of Masons in Colorado:

We, the undersigned, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and desirous of exerting our best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, respectfully represent, that we are desirous of forming a new Lodge incounty, Colorado, to be namedLodge; that the estimated population of said is; that the towns of will be included in the proposed jurisdiction; that the material in the jurisdiction is sufficient to sustain a healthy and reputable Lodge; that all the petitioners are residents within the proposed jurisdiction; that they have at their disposal suitable quarters for the practice of Masonic rites; that the expenses incident to said new Lodge (have been donated) (are to be paid at a future time by said Lodge); they therefore pray for letters of dispensation empowering them to assemble as a regular Lodge, and discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the forms of the fraternity and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated and do recommend Bro. to be the first W. M.; Bro. to be the first S. W., and Bro. to be the first J. W.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict compliance to the orders of the Grand Master and the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Dated.....

NAME	LODGE	No.	LOCATION OF LODGE
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These signatures must give all the names of each petitioner in full, and the name, number and location of the Lodge from which they hold dimits or certificates. Petitioners from other than Colorado Lodges must present dimits. Those from Colorado Lodges must either present dimits or certificates that their dues are paid up to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW LODGES.

Hall of Lodge No. ..., A. F. & A. M.
 Colorado 18....

At a Regular Communication of said Lodge, on evening, 18..., the following, among other proceedings, were had and entered of record:

Bro. offered the following preamble and resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, Brothers.....(those named in the petition)..... have requested this Lodge to recommend their petition to the M. W. Grand Master for a Dispensation to establish a Lodge at, in the county of and state of Colorado, under the name of Lodge, U. D., with Bro. as W. M., Bro. as S. W., and Bro. as J. W.; and

Whereas, The brother named for Master in said petition has exemplified the work before this Lodge, and this Lodge is fully advised as to all matters relating to said petition; therefore,

Resolved, That this Lodge does hereby recommend the M. W. Grand Master to grant the prayer of said petition, and does hereby certify that the statements contained in said petition are true, and that the brother therein named for Master is qualified to open and close a Lodge and to confer the three degrees.

I,, Secretary of said Lodge, do hereby certify that the above is a correct transcript from the records of said Lodge.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Lodge, at, Colorado, this day of A. D. 18...

[Seal.] *Secretary*.

PETITION FOR CHARTER.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

The undersigned respectfully represent that on the..... day of A. L. 58.., a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master for the formation of a new Lodge at in the county of, Colorado, by the name of Lodge; that on the day of next ensuing, said Lodge was opened and organized, and has since continued successfully to work during the period named in said Dispensation, as will appear from its records and returns, herewith presented; and that it is the earnest desire of the members of said Lodge that its existence be perpetuated;

They therefore pray that a Charter be granted to said Lodge, by the name of Lodge, with such number as the Grand Lodge may assign it, and recommend that Bro. be named therein as Master; Bro. as Senior Warden, and Bro. as Junior Warden; promising, as heretofore, strict obedience to the orders of the Grand Master, and conformity to the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

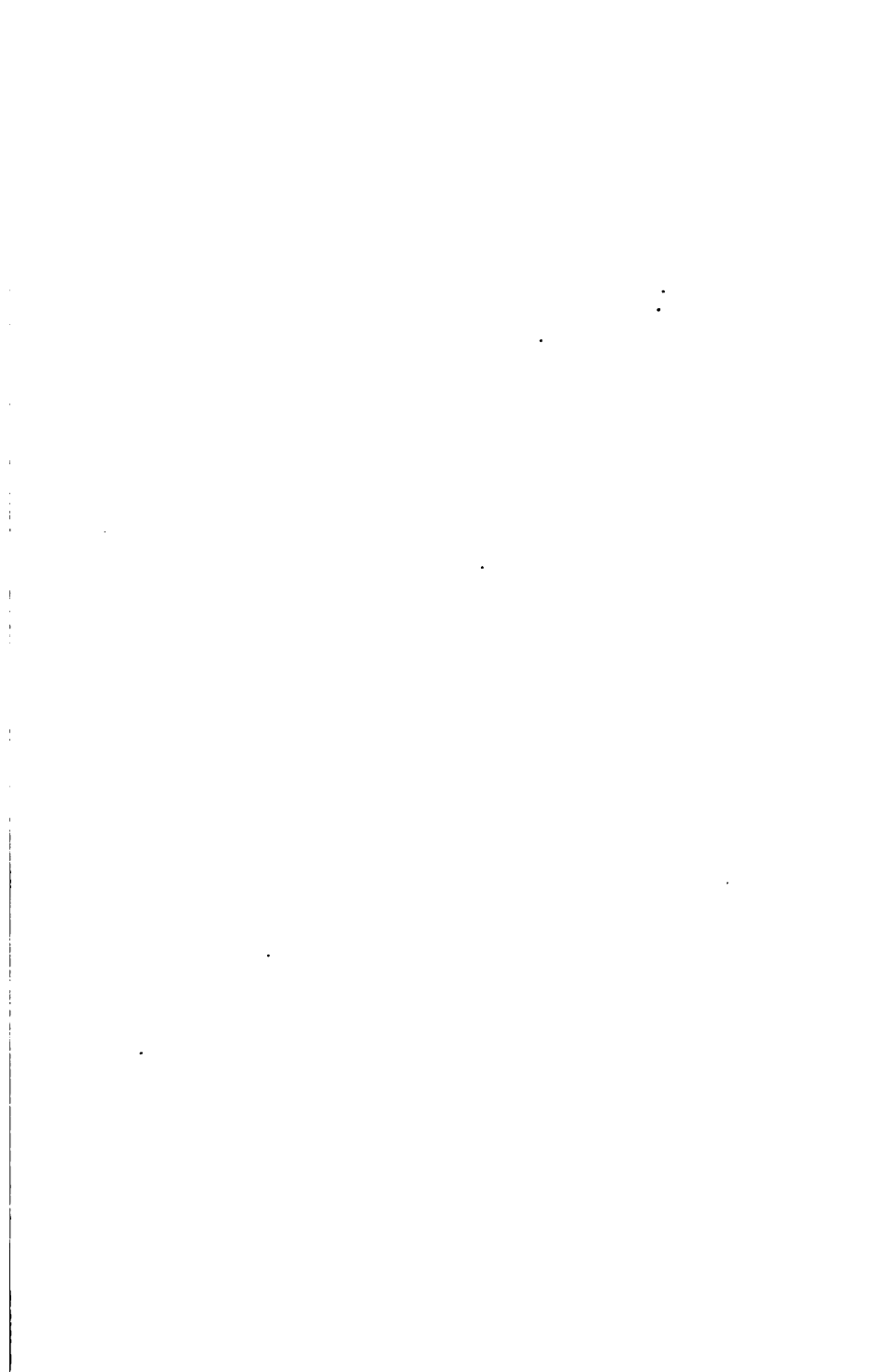
We herewith submit a copy of our proposed By-Laws.

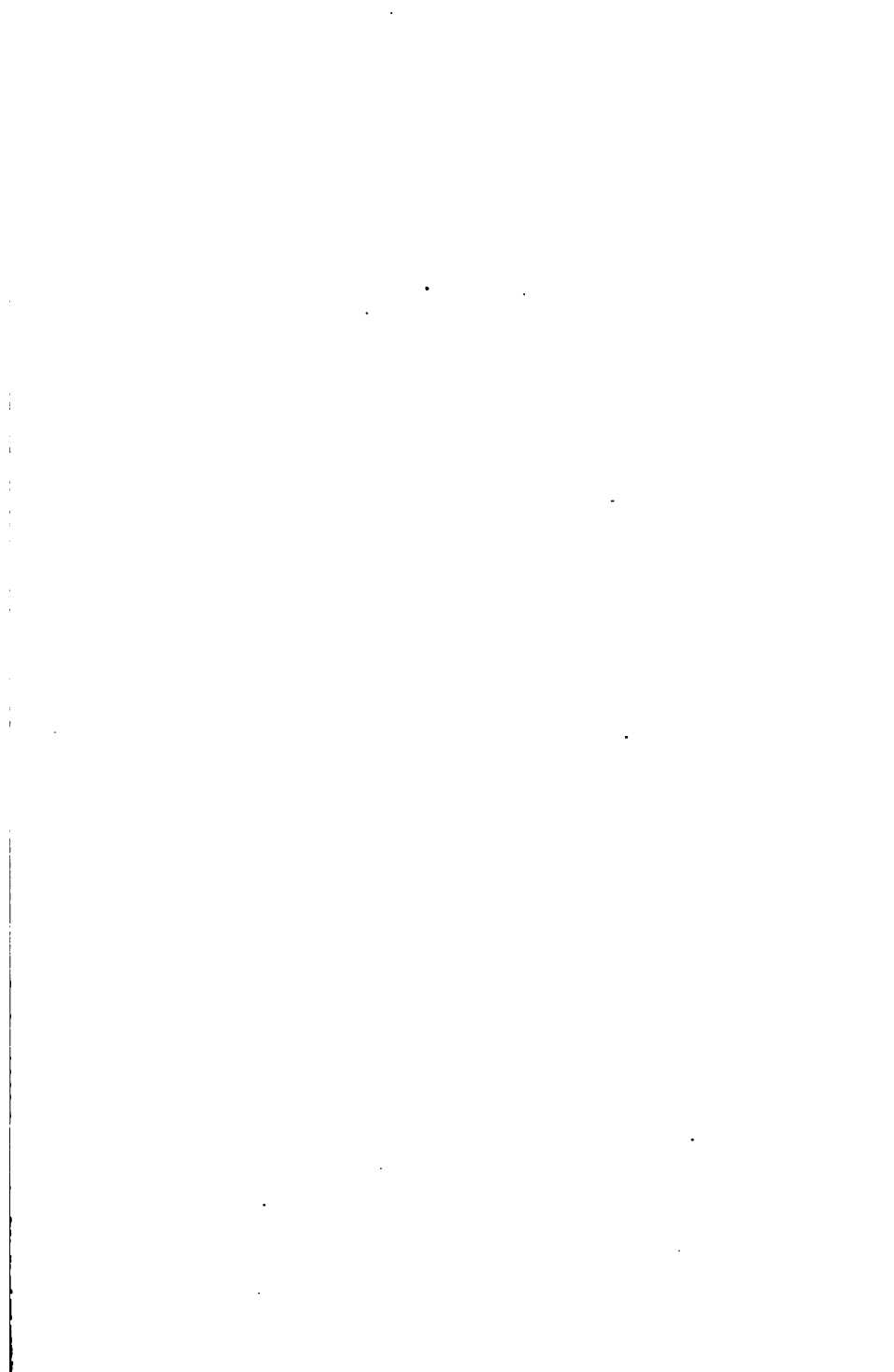
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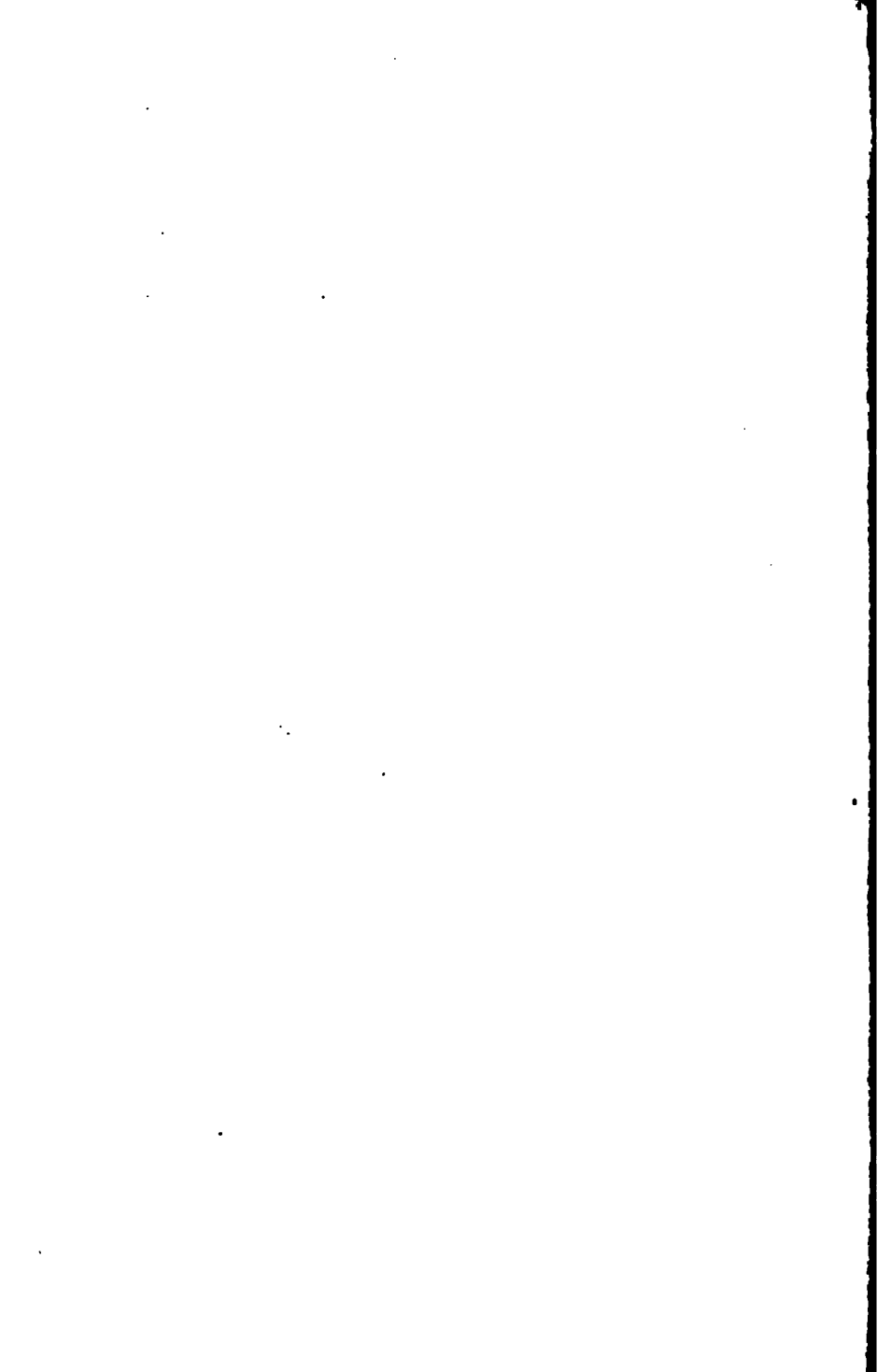
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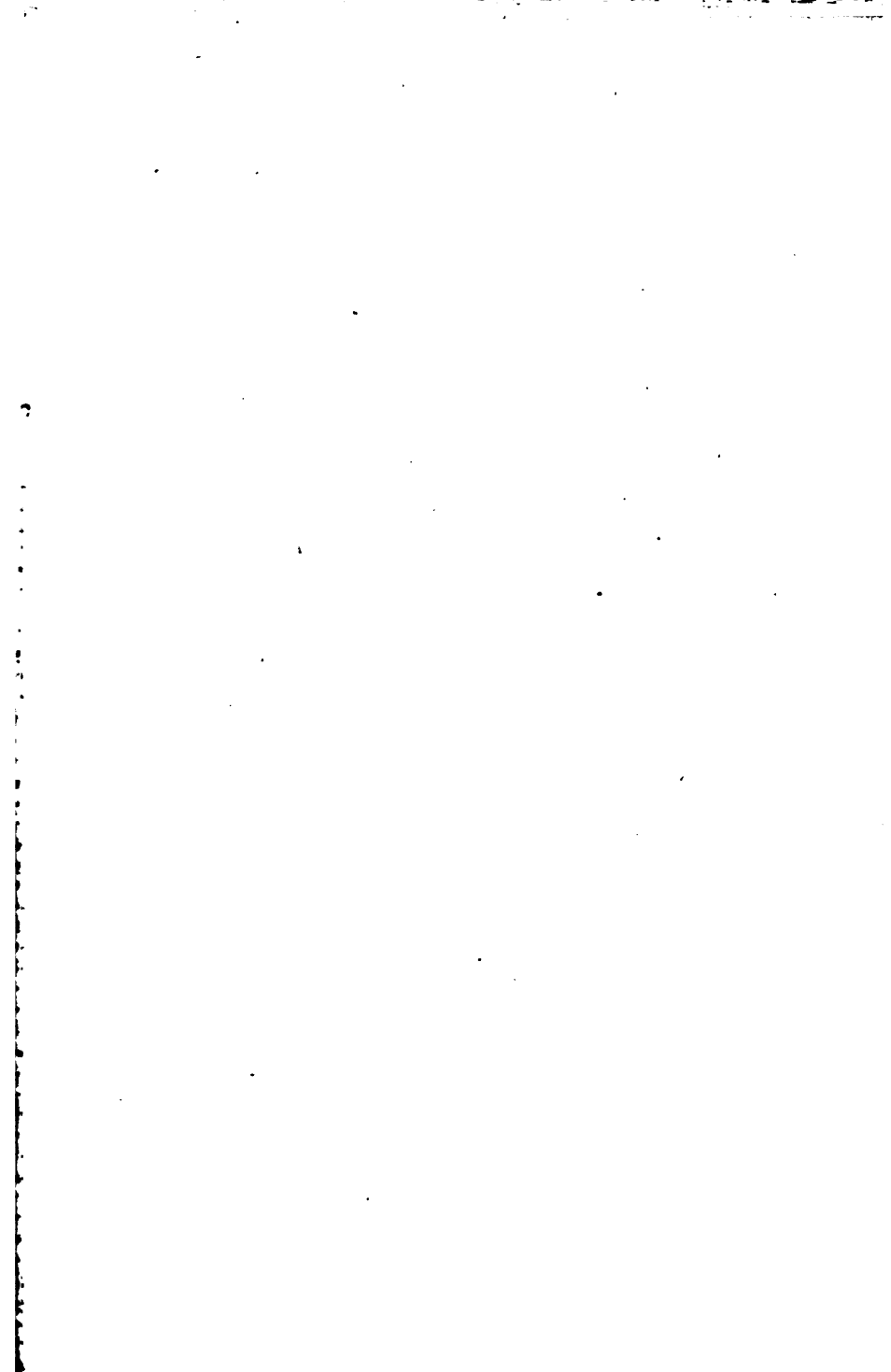
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This must be signed by each petitioner, giving all their names in full. All whose names appeared in the Dispensation, and all raised in the Lodge while working under Dispensation, are eligible to petition for Charter. Should it be impossible to obtain the signatures of all, their names should be given beneath the signatures, with a statement why they have not been formally signed, and a certificate from the Master added, that it is their wish to become Charter members; and should any non-affiliated Masons not named in the Dispensation wish to become Charter members, they may do so; Provided, They shall have received the unanimous endorsement of the Lodge under Dispensation, expressed by ballot. The limits of such must be forwarded with this petition.









Grand Officers of Colorado.

1898-1899.

Grand Lodge.

HORACE T. DE LONG (35), Grand Junction.....	G. M.
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (37), Leadville.....	D. G. M.
JOSEPH W. MILSON (15), Canon City.....	H. G. W.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado Springs.....	J. G. W.
DARIUS A. BARTON (37), Denver.....	M. Trench
ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Masonic Temple, Denver.....	G. Sec.

CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

HARPER M. GRAHOOD (11).....	Denver
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CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

L. N. GREENLEAF (5).....	Denver
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The Thirty-ninth Annual will be held in Denver, the third
Tuesday in September (19th), 1899.

Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

JETHRO C. SANFORD (15), Durango.....	G. H. F.
ED. C. PARMELEE (29), Denver.....	G. Sec.

CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

WM. D. PEIRCE (3).....	Denver
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CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

ERNEST L. N. FOSTER (29).....	Denver
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The Twenty-fifth Annual will be held in Denver, Thursday,
September 11, 1899.

Grand Commandery.

JOHN M. MAXWELL (5), Leadville.....	G. C.
ED. C. PARMELEE (25), Denver.....	G. Sec.

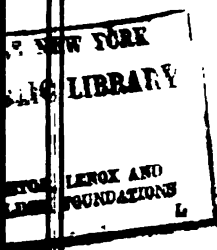
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JAMES H. PEABODY (9).....	Canon City
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CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

HARPER M. GRAHOOD (25).....	Denver
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The Twenty-fourth Annual will be held in Denver, Saturday,
September 23, 1899.

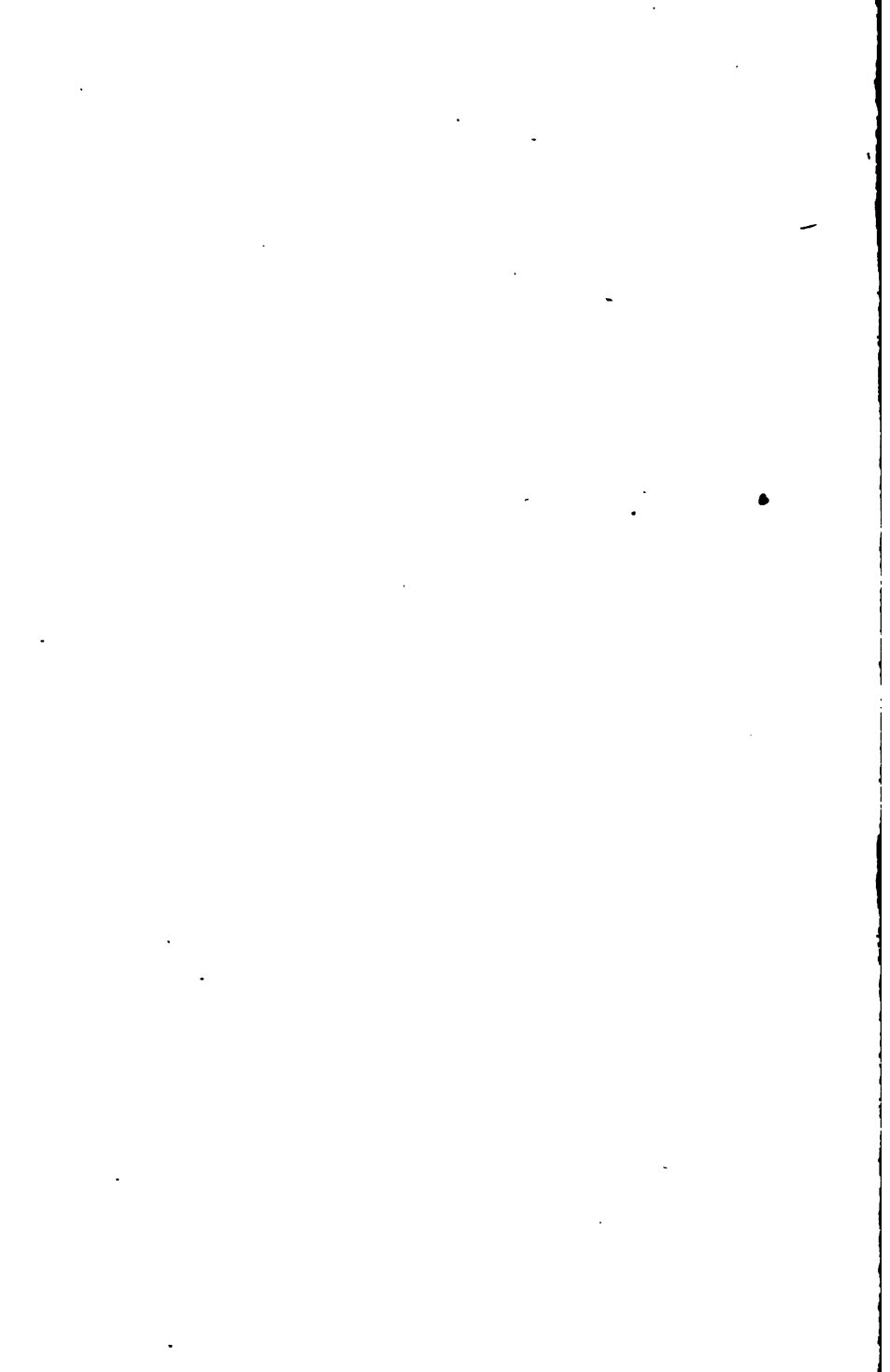


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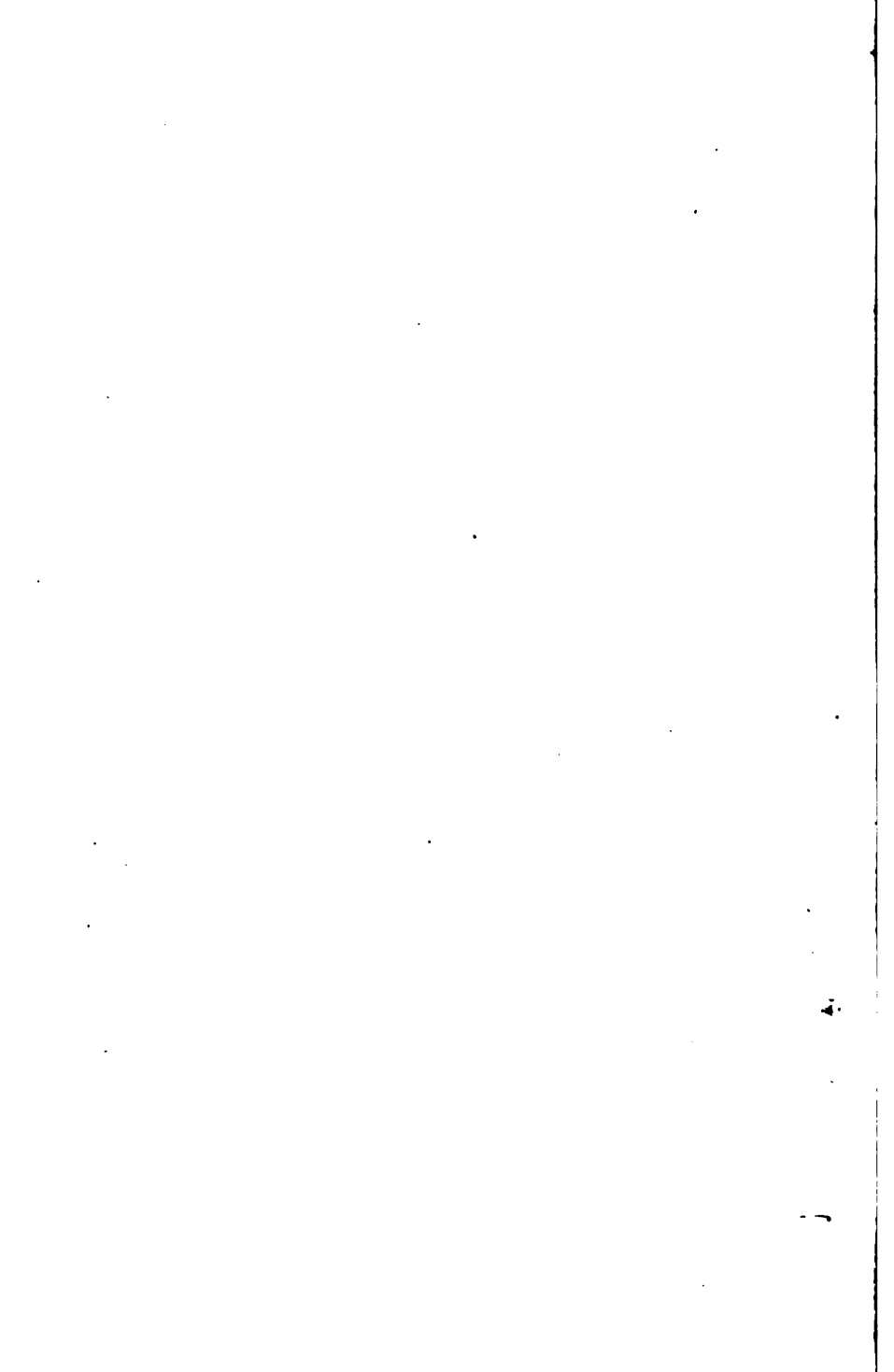
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PROCEEDINGS

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AT THE

39th Annual Communication

HELD AT

DENVER, SEPTEMBER 19 AND 20,

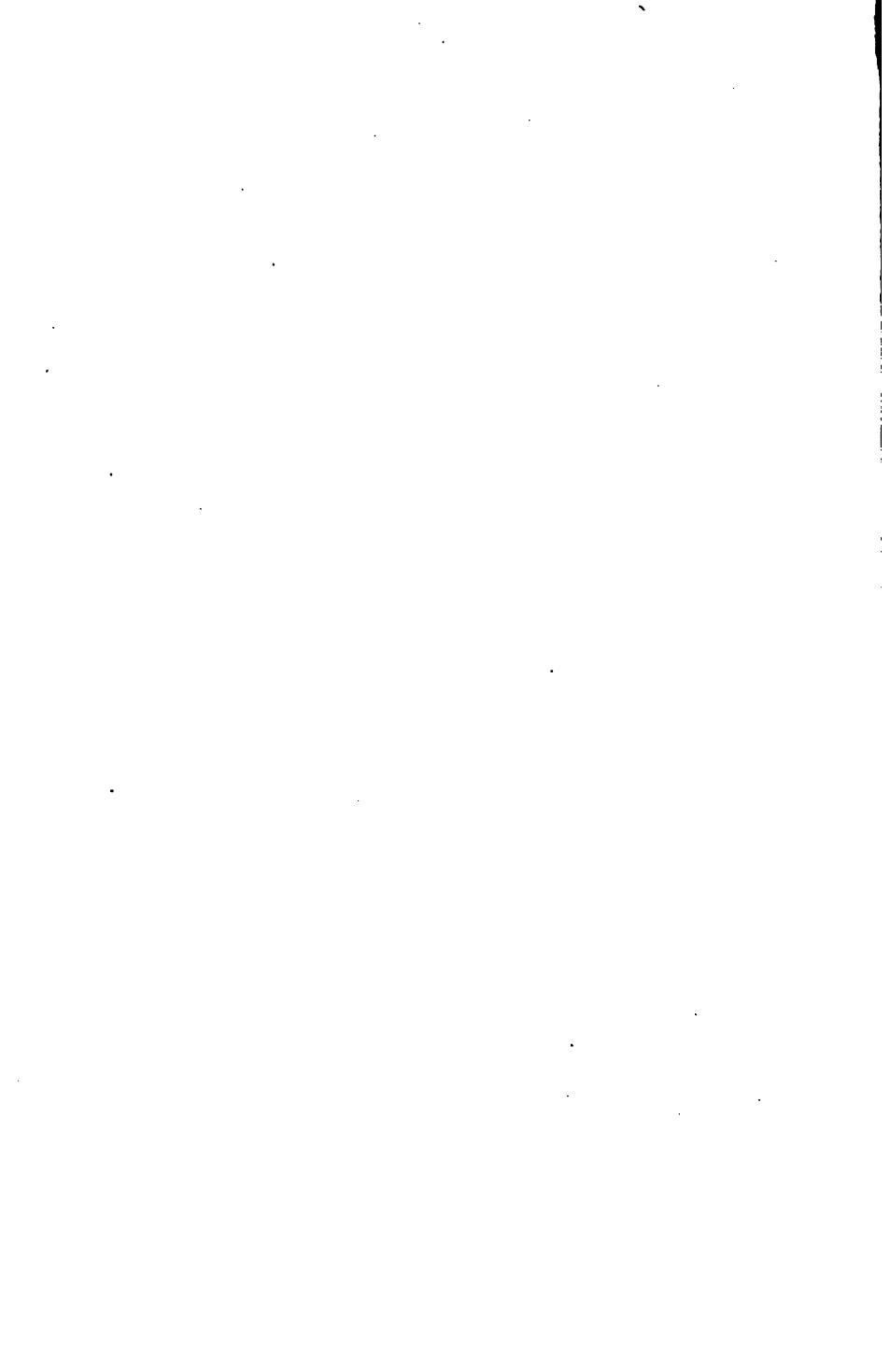
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Ordered that the Constitution and Laws be read in each Lodge.

—See Section 134 of By-Laws.

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To the Memory

OF

WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GEORGE WASHINGTON,

INSCRIBED ON THE

CENTENNIAL OF HIS DEATH

BY THE

M. W. GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M.

OF THE

STATE OF COLORADO;

WHICH WAS ADMITTED TO THE

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ON THE

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OF INDEPENDENCE.

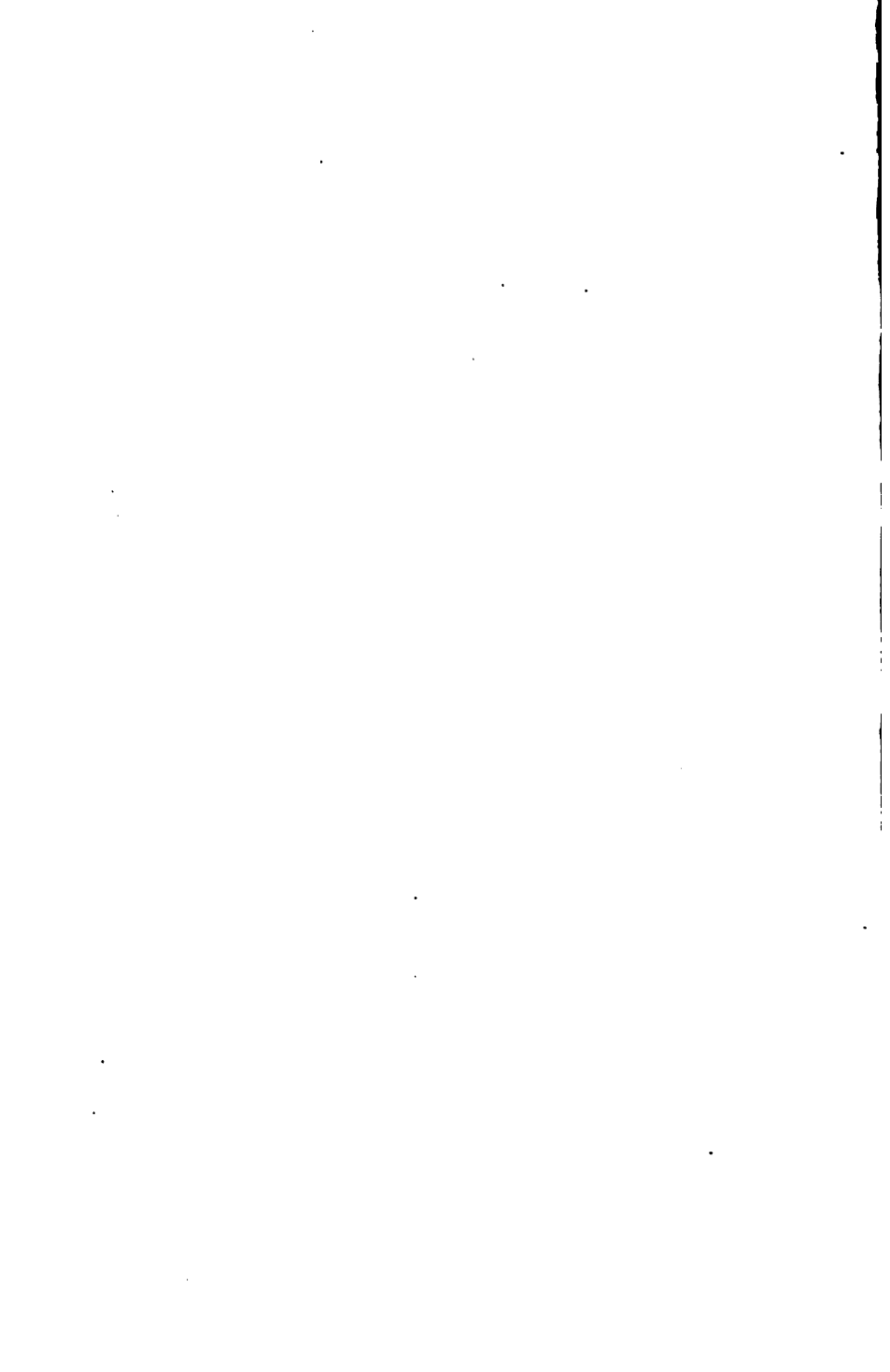
WHICH WAS MADE EFFECTIVE

BY WASHINGTON,

THROUGH HIS PRACTICE

OF THE

VARIOUS MASONIC VIRTUES.





Alphonse A. Burnand

GRAND MASTER 1899.

ALFRED L. BOOTH BURNARD

OF NEW MASTING.

It is a pleasure and privilege to present this memorial portrait of a prominent and patriotic officer of Most Worshipful Craft Commandery.

Booth Burnard was born in Geneva, Switzerland, on 27 1858. His parents came to the United States and he grew up in the St. Louis, Missouri, 1869. He was educated in this city in one of the public schools of the city. In 1876 he came to Louisiana and has since then been a resident.

He received Lord of the Lodge No. 74, A. F. & A. M., Installation, in 1884, and May 20th of that year he received the first degree in Masonry. He was possessed the Third degree July 5, 1884. At the next year's election he became one of the officers of the Lodge and placed on the committee on the first of the year. He was elected Worshipful Master in 1887 and 1888. As a memorial of his services to the lodge of this year he was elected Most Worshipful Master.

His Captain's degrees were conferred on him in the Grand Lodge No. 10 in 1884. He was elected as a fellow of the Grand Lodge in 1887 and 1888. In 1884 he was elected Grand High Priest and presided over the ceremonies of the lodge to the satisfaction of every member of the lodge.

He took on the Odd Fellowship in 1884 and the Honorary Commandery No. 5 in 1884. He was elected as a member of the Grand Commandery in 1888 and 1889 and again in 1891. He was elected Grand Commander in 1892, and he was elected to the same position in 1893 following the death of the member gathering in 1892. That year the order was merged under his leadership as independent.



Alphonse L. Putnam

ALPHONSE ADOLPH BURNAND,

GRAND MASTER.

It is with pleasure we present with this annual report of our proceedings a picture of our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Brother Burnand was born in Geneva, Switzerland, July 27, 1858. His parents came to the United States and the family settled in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1869. Here he received his education in the public schools of the city. In 1879 he came to Leadville in this state, where he has since resided.

He petitioned Leadville Lodge No. 51, A. F. & A. M., for initiation in 1884, and May 24th of that year he received his first degree in Masonry. He was passed June 17 and raised July 5, 1884. At the next annual election he became one of the officers of the lodge, and his zeal and ability were so manifest that he was elected Worshipful Master in 1887 and 1888. At our annual communication in September of this year he was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master.

The Capitular degrees were conferred on him in Leadville Chapter No. 10, in 1884. After filling various offices he became High Priest in 1887 and 1888. In 1894 he was elected Grand High Priest, and discharged the duties of this high office to the satisfaction of every member of the craft.

He received the Orders conferred in Mount of the Holy Cross Commandery No. 5, at Leadville in 1884. Served as Eminent Commander in 1888 and 1889 and again in 1891. He was elected Grand Commander in 1892, and notwithstanding the reaction immediately following the great Triennial gathering in Denver that year, the Order was prosperous under his judicious administration.

He received the degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry in Colorado Consistory and other bodies in April, 1892.

In all of the many positions he has been called by his brethren to fill, including the highest as well as the most difficult, he has shown such zeal and faithfulness to duty, such ability, tact and integrity that we well may, as we do, feel proud of our Grand Master, well knowing that the high character of our Grand Lodge under his management and administration will be maintained and advanced.



W. H. T. E. K. T. A. I. D.

W. M. Allen

GRAND MASTER 1863 AND 1867-1873.

HENRY M. TELLER.

With this volume of our proceedings we present a sketch of our Past Grand Master, Henry M. Teller.

He was born in Alleghany County, New York, May 1830, received a common school education, studied law in the office of Judge Clevenger, and was admitted to practice in New York; removed to Illinois, 1858, and from there to Colorado in 1861. He resided at Central City where his services made his home congenial to nearly in the practice of his profession, in which he attracted the distinction of being one of the leading members of the bar of the state. Was elected to the United States Senate over the opposition of Colorado for a state, and took his seat December 4, 1876, and served until April 10, 1882, when he was reappointed secretary of the interior to the same term. In this position he served with distinction until March 3, 1885. In January, 1885, he was again elected to the senate, and took his seat March 4, 1885. He was elected as his own successor by the same legislature on May 9, 1891, and again re-elected.

His Masonic career began in 1851, when he was made a member in Durcap Lodge, A. F. & M. S. No. 1291 at Morris

Ill., in the winter of 1859, after his removal to Colorado City he became a member of the lodge of Central Chivington Lodge No. 6, in 1861, and in 1862, was successively Junior Warden, Senior Warden and Master, selected Grand Master in 1863, and then again in 1864, and was continued in this office until 1872, seven years in all.

He received the Chapter degrees in Central City after in 1863, soon after its organization. In the winter of 1865-6, he was made a Knight Templar in St. John's Commandery No. 24, at Olean, New York. Was Eminent Commander of Central City Commandery No. 2, for ten



W. M. Allen

SECOND MASTER 1863 AND 1867-1873.

HENRY M. TELLER.

With this volume of our proceedings we present a portrait of our Past Grand Master, Henry M. Teller.

He was born in Alleghany county, New York, May 23, 1830; received an academic education, studied law in the office of Judge Grover, and was admitted to the bar in New York; removed to Illinois, 1858, and from there to Colorado in 1861. He located at Central City where he has since made his home, engaging actively in the practice of his profession, in which he attained the distinction of being one of the leading members of the bar of the state. Was elected to the United States senate on the admission of Colorado as a state, and took his seat December 4, 1876, and served until April 17, 1882, when he was appointed secretary of the interior by President Arthur. In this position he served with distinction until March 3, 1885. In January, 1885, he was again elected to the senate, and took his seat March 4, 1885. He was elected as his own successor by the state legislature on January 9, 1891, and again elected in 1897.

His Masonic career commenced when he was made a Mason in Dunlap Lodge, A. F. & A. M., No. 321, at Morrison, Ill., in the winter of 1858-59. On his removal to Central City he became a charter member of Central (then Chivington) Lodge No. 6, in December, 1861, was successively Junior Warden, Senior Warden and Master. Was elected Grand Master in 1863, and then again in 1867, and was continued in this office until 1872, seven years in all.

He received the Chapter degrees in Central City Chapter in 1863, soon after its organization. In the winter of 1865-6, he was made a Knight Templar in St. John's Commandery No. 24, at Olean, New York. Was Eminent Commander of Central City Commandery No. 2, for ten

years, commencing with its organization. When the Grand Commandery was organized in 1876, he was elected Grand Commander.

For many years he has been prominent in Scottish Rite Masonry. He received the 33d degree at the meeting of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, at Washington, May 23, 1866. He is now the Active Inspector-General for the state of Colorado, and has occupied that position since the establishment of the Order in this state, some years ago. He has been a leader in Masonry since the earliest days of our history.

A man of national reputation, a leader on important questions affecting the whole country; known personally by almost every man in the state. Yet this does not affect his kindness of heart or his character as a man and a friend; always cheerful, companionable and true to the right; ever generous and ready to assist others, even to the extent of impoverishing himself. It is in his character as a man and a Mason, companion and friend, that he has become endeared to us, and while we delight with others to honor him, we feel honored in enjoying his companionship. Long may he be spared to us.



W. H. & C. B. B. L.

Stephen M. Orinwood

H. J. ERVING & CO. ASSOCIATES

On 10 June 1944, the M. 104 died at a private veterinary hospital, while on treatment for a urinary infection, following a fall from a Mt. Vernon, Maryland, house. The animal was a white cat, approximately 1 year of age, weighing 10.5 lb. (4.8 kg). In 1944, it was a pet and a show cat, and it had been in the same position for 1 year. It had been in the first 6 months of life at the Mt. Vernon, Maryland, house, and it had been in the position since being brought to the house in age of 6 months. It was a female, and it had been in the same position for 1 year.

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His military service as a fighter pilot, the one he is most proud of, was in the U. S. Third Colonial Cavalry, in 1942-43, in the 10th Command of the military and in the 1st Cavalry and 1st Armored Divisions of the U. S. Army of the United States of Colorado and Wyoming.

This Mason only entered Scotland, Master of Mason in Central Lodge No. 6 in 1844 and in number of Black Lodges, No. 1 in which he was elected in the August of 1846, Master of Chicago in 1846, he was the Chapter Master of Central City Chapter No. 1 in 1854, was a charter member and stage Master of Lodges No. 1 and 2 of Chapter No. 29 in Denver, was a Master of Central City Chapter in Central City in 1856, during those four years as Chapter Master of Central City of Denver Commandery No. 10, K. T. of Denver Grand Commandery K. T. in 1846, he received the Thirty-third degree, A. A. Scottish Rite, then, 1848, 1849, Thirtieth degree Master Mason, and in 1850, was a Royal Arch Mason, being seven years a King of the Temple, five years Master of the Lodge, and years Thirtieth Grand Master K. T. and one year Grand Secretary.



Superintendent

HARPER M. ORAHOOD.

Harper M. Orahood was born in Columbus, Ohio, on the third of June, 1841, and was educated at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and Earlville, Illinois. When he was nineteen years old he moved westward and made his residence in Black Hawk, Colorado, where, and in Denver, he has remained to the present time. For the first ten years of life at Black Hawk he was in mercantile business, also post-master from 1862 to 1871; city treasurer for eight years; county clerk and recorder from 1866 to 1868.

He was admitted to the bar in 1873 and made city attorney of Central City, which office he held for several years. He was made district attorney for the first judicial district in 1878, when, in 1881, he resigned and moved to Denver, where he now lives.

His military record is bright, bearing the commission of Captain of Company B, Third Colorado Cavalry, in 1864, and later made Commander of the military order of the Loyal Legion; Vice Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming.

His Masonic career is eminent: Made a Mason in Central Lodge No. 6, in 1864; charter member of Black Hawk Lodge No. 11, in which he served five years as Master; Grand Master of Colorado in 1876; received the Chapter degrees in Central City Chapter No. 1 in 1865; was a charter member and still holds his membership in Colorado Chapter No. 29 at Denver; was Knighted in Central City Commandery at Central City in 1866, serving there four years as Commander; a charter member of Denver Commandery No. 25, K. T., at Denver; Grand Commander K. T. in 1879, and received the Thirty-third degree A. A. Scottish Rite, June 21st, 1891. Thirty-five years a Master Mason, thirty-four years a Royal Arch Mason, thirty-three years a Knight Templar, five years Master of the Lodge, four years Eminent Commander K. T., and one year each Grand Master

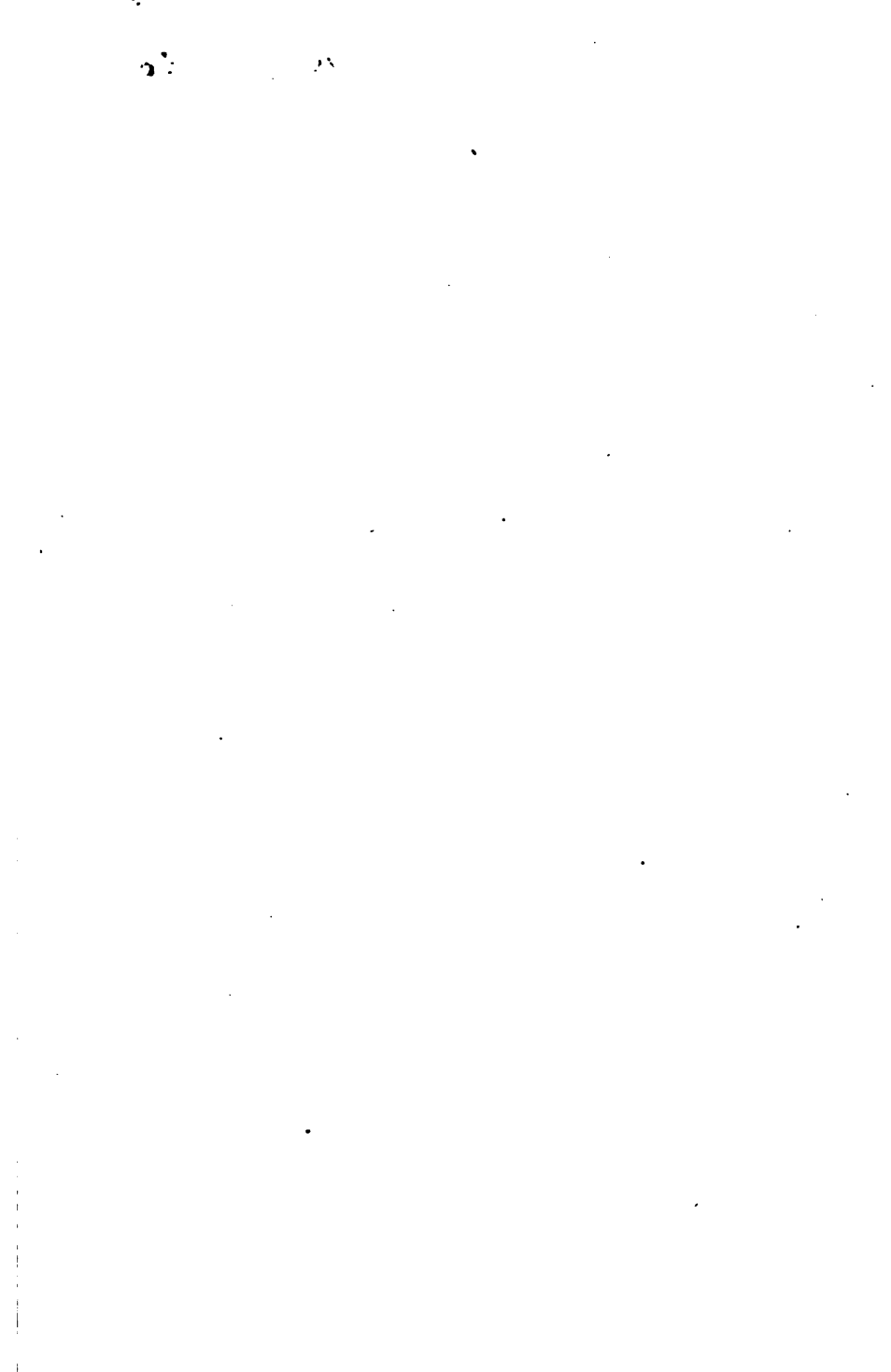
and Grand Commander, is a brief summary of his Masonic career.

In civil life he is the president of the Board of Education, School District No. One, in Denver, of which body he has been a member six years.

This is the record of a citizen of Colorado whom to know is an honor, as well as a pleasure. An entire life of manhood has been spent in Colorado, occupying positions of trust and confidence; never in any sense an office seeker, he has been called upon often to sacrifice personal comfort for public service and has not refused.

The Masonic fraternity of the State, including every degree, feel especially under obligations to Brother Orahood for his unwearied labor in the cause. As Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence his reports are a marvel of interesting information, concisely stated. His ready knowledge in points of Masonic law make him a reliable authority and reference in times of question.

To him as a man and Mason this tribute is recorded by direction of the Grand Lodge of Colorado. The custom of the time is to wait for death before publicly acknowledging the beauty, integrity and honor of a fellow man. In violation of this custom this tender is made to Brother Harper M. Orahood.



GRAND OFFICERS, 1899-1900.

ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51), Leadville.....	G. M.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15), Canon City.....	D. G. M.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado Springs.....	S. G. W.
MARSHALL H. DEAN (65), Glenwood Springs.....	J. G. W.
DARIUS A. BARTON (87), Denver.....	G. Treas.
ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Denver.....	G. Sec'y
ANDREW ARMSTRONG (19), Fort Collins.....	G. Chaplain
HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56), Telluride.....	G. Orator
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (84), Denver.....	G. Lecturer
GEORGE T. COOPER (5), Amethyst.....	G. Marshal
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27), Walsenburg.....	S. G. Deacon
LAWRENCE M. MILLER (53), Grand Junction....	J. G. Deacon
BENJAMIN L. JAMES (7), Denver.....	S. G. Steward
H. W. WOODWARD (51), Leadville.....	J. G. Steward
THOMAS LINTON (5), Denver.....	G. Tiler

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).....	Denver
JAMES H. PEABODY (15).....	Canon City
JOHN M. MAXWELL (51).....	Leadville

CUSTODIANS OF THE WORK.

ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (84), Denver.....	For three years
CROMWELL TUCKER (5), Denver.....	For two years
FRANK G. MIRICK (31), Golden.....	For one year

CHAIRMEN OF OTHER COMMITTEES.

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF (5), Denver.....	Correspondence
HORACE T. DE LONG (55), Grand Junction..	Returns and Work
GEORGE W. ROE (95), Pueblo.....	Appeals and Grievances
GEORGE W. KEESEY (32), Saguache.....	Finance

The Fortieth Annual will be held in Denver the third Tuesday in September (18th), 1900.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO
AT THE
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Held September 19th and 20th, 1899.

Denver, Tuesday, September 19, 1899.

The M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. Masons of Colorado, commenced its Thirty-ninth Annual Communication at Masonic Temple, in Denver, on the third Tuesday of September, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.

A Lodge of Master Masons was opened by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, when the M. W. Grand Lodge was declared open in Ample Form, every Grand Officer in his station:

HORACE T. DE LONG (55).....	G. M.
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51).....	D. G. M.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15).....	S. G. W.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13).....	J. G. W.
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GEORGE T. COOPER (5).....	G. Marshal
MARSHALL H. DEAN (65).....	S. G. D.
HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56).....	J. G. D.
LUTHER H. WYGANT, JR. (86).....	S. G. S.
LAWRENCE M. MILLER (55).....	J. G. S.
THOMAS LINTON (5).....	G. Tiler

And Representatives from eighty-nine chartered Lodges (all but Nos. 25 and 81).

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed Brothers—

Grand Secretary (48),

A. F. Reeves (63),

John Humphreys (28),

as a Committee on Credentials.

The committee soon presented their report, which, with other reports during the session from said committee, showed the following Grand Officers, Permanent Members, Representatives from Lodges and Grand Representatives present :

GRAND OFFICERS AS BEFORE NAMED.

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters:

HENRY M. TELLER (6).
 HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).
 ROGER W. WOODBURY (86).
 LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF (5).
 JAMES H. PEABODY (15).
 ALBERT H. BRANCH (35).
 GEORGE K. KIMBALL (1).
 WILLIAM D. TODD (7).
 WILLIAM T. BRIDWELL (15).
 ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (84).
 JOHN M. MAXWELL (51).
 WILLIAM D. WRIGHT (84).
 JETHRO C. SANFORD (46).
 WILLIAM L. BUSH (26).
 WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (7).
 GEORGE W. ROE (96).
 CROMWELL TUCKER (5).
 H. P. H. BROMWELL (5) Honorary.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM LODGES.

(Those present marked with an asterisk (*) are proxies.)

Lodge.	Representative.
Golden City No. 1—	
	JOSEPH DENNIS, Jr. W. M.
	JOSEPH DENNIS, Jr.* S. W.
	JOSEPH DENNIS, Jr.* J. W.
Nevada No. 4—	
	ISAAC M. PARSONS W. M.

Lodge.	Representative.
Denver No. 5—	
FRANK L. BISHOP.....	W. M.
GEO. F. DUNKLEE.....	S. W.
Central No. 6—	
ROBERT N. LEWIS.....	W. M.
Union No. 7—	
WM. H. SANFORD*.....	W. M.
WALTER D. SALTER.....	S. W.
ROBERT W. BONYNGE.....	J. W.
Black Hawk No. 11—	
ALEX. TAYLOR*.....	W. M.
ALEX. TAYLOR*.....	S. W.
ALEX. TAYLOR*.....	J. W.
Washington No. 12—	
JOHN H. BENNETT.....	W. M.
JOHN H. BENNETT*.....	S. W.
JOHN H. BENNETT*.....	J. W.
El Paso No. 13—	
THOMAS E. MANNING.....	W. M.
ARTHUR W. NEWTON.....	S. W.
FRANK R. VAN METER*.....	J. W.
Columbia No. 14—	
J. A. DAVIS.....	W. M.
J. W. DEVELINE*.....	S. W.
J. B. HISKEY.....	J. W.
Mount Moriah No. 15—	
AUTHUR R. FRISBIE.....	W. M.
HENRY M. MINGAY.....	S. W.
ELEAZER W. SIBBALD.....	J. W.
Pueblo No. 17—	
WILL D. GRISARD.....	W. M.
WILL D. GRISARD*.....	S. W.
ROBERT H. HIGGINS.....	J. W.
Collins No. 19—	
THADDEUS A. GAGE.....	W. M.
ANDREW ARMSTRONG*.....	J. W.
Occidental No. 20—	
WM. H. THOMPSON.....	W. M.
EDWARD M. GALE.....	S. W.
FRANK MADDEN*.....	J. W.
Weston No. 22—	
RUDOLPH W. CANDLER.....	W. M.
EBENEZER JULL.....	S. W.
C. M. PICKETT.....	J. W.
St. Vrain No. 23—	
C. F. BARTELL.....	W. M.
J. A. ST. CLAIR.....	J. W.
Idaho Springs No. 26—	
JOHN CHAPMAN*.....	W. M.
JOHN CHAPMAN*.....	S. W.
J. E. CHESTER*.....	J. W.
Huerfano No. 27—	
HENRY SNEDDEN.....	W. M.
CHARLES O. UNFUG*.....	S. W.

Lodge.	Representative.
Las Animas No. 28—	
JOHN HUMPHREYS*	W. M.
JOHN HUMPHREYS*	S. W.
King Solomon No. 30—	
JAMES H. CROSLY	W. M.
South Pueblo No. 31—	
EDWARD T. MULNIX*	W. M.
EDWARD T. MULNIX	S. W.
EDWARD T. MULNIX*	J. W.
Olive Branch No. 32—	
WM. A. JOHNSON	W. M.
San Juan No. 33—	
A. R. SPRINGER*	W. M.
A. R. SPRINGER	S. W.
A. R. SPRINGER*	J. W.
Crystal Lake No. 34—	
WALLACE A. ALLEN*	W. M.
WALLACE A. ALLEN*	S. W.
WALLACE A. ALLEN*	J. W.
Ionic No. 35—	
R. D. CRUIKSHANK	W. M.
GEO. D. GREENFIELD*	S. W.
WILLIS A. SHADBOLT*	J. W.
Rosita No. 36—	
CHAS. G. MATTHEWS*	W. M.
CHAS. G. MATTHEWS*	S. W.
CHAS. G. MATTHEWS*	J. W.
Ouray No. 37—	
JOHN P. CARNEY*	W. M.
JOHN P. CARNEY*	S. W.
JOHN P. CARNEY	J. W.
Silver Cliff No. 38—	
THOMAS ROBERTS*	W. M.
THOMAS ROBERTS	S. W.
Gunnison No. 39—	
WINTER S. RAINBOW*	W. M.
WINTER S. RAINBOW*	S. W.
WINTER S. RAINBOW*	J. W.
Schiller No. 41—	
FRANK KRATZER	W. M.
EMIL KIERSCH	J. W.
Corinthian No. 42—	
NELS P. ANDERSON	W. M.
Eagle No. 43—	
P. TAGUE*	W. M.
Alamosa No. 44—	
GEO. BOOTH	W. M.
F. W. SWANSON*	S. W.
H. H. DUBENDORFF*	J. W.
Boulder No. 45—	
WM. GOLDSWORTHY	W. M.
Durango No. 46—	
C. A. PIKE	W. M.
N. C. MILLER*	S. W.
WM. J. MILLER*	J. W.

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Breckenridge No. 47—	
PETER J. LUNDBY.....	W. M.
Georgetown No. 48—	
JOHN D. CONWAY*.....	W. M.
JOHN D. CONWAY.....	S. W.
Mt. Princeton No. 49—	
O. W. COLE.....	W. M.
J. A. MARKS*.....	S. W.
J. A. MARKS.....	J. W.
Garfield No. 50—	
CHAS. A. MORNING*.....	W. M.
CHAS. A. MORNING.....	S. W.
Leadville No. 51—	
JOHN L. WRIGHT.....	W. M.
H. W. WOODWARD*.....	S. W.
DANIEL McNIVEN*.....	J. W.
Loveland No. 53—	
JOHN S. PETERSON.....	W. M.
JOHN G. McFADDEN.....	S. W.
LYMAN PORTER*.....	J. W.
Sterling No. 54—	
H. D. HINKLEY.....	S. W.
H. D. HINKLEY*.....	J. W.
Mesa No. 55—	
WM. I. HAMMOND.....	W. M.
DAVID R. CROSBY*.....	J. W.
Telluride No. 56—	
WM. T. MARCH.....	W. M.
WM. T. MARCH*.....	S. W.
JOHN OLSON*.....	J. W.
Salida No. 57—	
W. S. THOMAS*.....	W. M.
W. S. THOMAS.....	S. W.
Crested Butte No. 58—	
S. C. MOSHER*.....	W. M.
S. C. MOSHER.....	J. W.
La Veta No. 59—	
G. F. ESTAS.....	W. M.
Spar No. 60—	
JOSEPH R. JOHNS.....	W. M.
JOSEPH R. JOHNS*.....	S. W.
JOSEPH R. JOHNS*.....	J. W.
Harmony No. 61—	
CAMPBELL D. TITUS.....	W. M.
HARRY D. SMITH.....	S. W.
WALTER E. JUDGE.....	J. W.
Delta No. 62—	
HENRY HAMMOND.....	W. M.
JOHN H. HALLEY.....	S. W.
GEORGE STEPHAN.....	J. W.
Montrose No. 63—	
A. F. REEVES*.....	W. M.
A. F. REEVES.....	J. W.
Euclid No. 64—	
J. G. TALLIAFERRO.....	W. M.

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	JAMES W. ROSS.....S. W.
Eureka No. 66—	
	M. G. MORGANSTEIN*.....W. M.
	M. G. MORGANSTEIN.....S. W.
	M. G. MORGANSTEIN*.....J. W.
Oasis No. 67—	
	JAMES H. JONES.....W. M.
	TYLER D. HEISKELL*.....S. W.
	JAMES H. JONES*.....J. W.
Manitou No. 68—	
	WALTER D. SAWIN.....W. M.
	DANIEL H. RUPP.....J. W.
Windsor No. 69—	
	GEORGE H. FRYE.....W. M.
Logan No. 70—	
	J. BRANT.....W. M.
Wray No. 71—	
	C. E. WARE.....W. M.
Granada No. 72—	
	J. S. McCLUNG.....W. M.
Monte Vista No. 73—	
	GEO. S. WARBURTON.....W. M.
	W. R. CARTER*.....S. W.
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	DAVID SHONERD*.....S. W.
	EDWIN W. CLARK.....J. W.
St. John's No. 75—	
	TALMAI F. GODDING, Jr.....W. M.
Colorado City No. 76—	
	ISAAC A. WINTERNITZ.....W. M.
Burlington No. 77—	
	D. H. JONES.....W. M.
	D. H. JONES*.....S. W.
	D. H. JONES*.....J. W.
Brighton No. 78—	
	P. R. SILLSTROP.....W. M.
	S. J. HUBBELL.....J. W.
Rico No. 79—	
	JAMES T. CARNAHAN.....W. M.
	JAMES T. CARNAHAN*.....S. W.
	JAMES T. CARNAHAN*.....J. W.
Rio Blanco No. 80—	
	JAMES LYTTLE*.....W. M.
	JAMES LYTTLE*.....S. W.
	JAMES LYTTLE*.....J. W.
Carbondale No. 82—	
	WM. M. DINKEL.....S. W.
Berthoud No. 83—	
	F. IRVING DAVIS.....W. M.
Temple No. 84—	
	GEORGE STIDGER.....W. M.
	GEORGE STIDGER*.....S. W.

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CARSON B. WILSON*	W. M.
CARSON B. WILSON	S. W.
JOSEPH L. STUBBS*	J. W.
Oriental No. 87—	
JOHN L. DIXON	W. M.
JOHN H. GABRIEL	S. W.
GEORGE T. BERRY*	J. W.
Yampa No. 88—	
A. M. RANNEY*	W. M.
A. M. RANNEY*	S. W.
A. M. RANNEY*	J. W.
Trinidad No. 89—	
LEO R. GOTTLIEB*	W. M.
LEO R. GOTTLIEB*	S. W.
Lamar No. 90—	
PERRY McMILLEN	S. W.
Lafayette No. 91—	
H. E. BOCKER,	W. M.
H. E. BOCKER*	S. W.
A. H. ZOOK	J. W.
Rob Morris No. 92—	
ALBERT L. STACK	W. M.
A. FRANK JORDAN	S. W.
JOSEPH NIGGLY	J. W.
South Denver No. 93—	
JOHN C. GRAHAM	W. M.
JAMES J. FORD	S. W.
A. A. CUNNINGHAM	J. W.
Amethyst No. 94—	
ABSALOM V. TABOR	W. M.
Silver State No. 95—	
JAMES R. STRUGNELL	W. M.
GEO. REYNOLDS	S. W.
JAMES R. STRUGNELL*	J. W.
Mt. Pisgah No. 96—	
TOM A. SMITH*	W. M.
TOM A. SMITH	S. W.
JAMES F. SMITH	J. W.
Fremont No. 97—	
MOSES E. LEWIS	W. M.
MOSES E. LEWIS*	S. W.
Hiram No. 98—	
DANIEL P. SILVERLING	W. M.
E. C. BONNELL*	S. W.
DANIEL P. SILVERLING*	J. W.
Victor No. 99—	
HARRIE HENDRIE	W. M.
JASPER W. JOHNSON*	S. W.
T. L. TREMAYNE*	J. W.
Mancos No. 100—	
JAMES M. RUSH, Sr.*	W. M.

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Plateau No. 101—	
GEO. W. MASTERS.....	W. M.
GEO. W. MASTERS*.....	S. W.
GEO. W. MASTERS*.....	J. W.
Mt. Lamborn No. 102—	
CHARLES L. PIKE.....	S. W.
Vulcan No. 103—	
CHARLES R. FOSTER.....	S. W.
Tejon No. 104—	
W. W. WILLIAMSON.....	W. M.
W. W. WILLIAMSON*.....	S. W.
W. W. WILLIAMSON*.....	J. W.

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ERNEST LeNEVE FOSTER (84).....	Alabama
ANDREW ARMSTRONG (19).....	Arizona
HENRY T. WEST (20).....	Arkansas
JOHN HUMPHREYS (28).....	British Columbia
JAMES H. PEABODY (15).....	California
JAMES R. KILLIAN (27).....	Canada, South Carolina
BENJAMIN L. JAMES (7).....	Connecticut
CHARLES O. UNFUG (27).....	Cuba
DARIUS A. BARTON (87).....	Delaware
WILLIAM D. WRIGHT (84).....	District of Columbia
ROGER W. WOODBURY (86).....	Florida
ALBERT H. BURNAND (35).....	Idaho
HENRY M. TELLER (6).....	Illinois, Minnesota
HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).....	Indiana, West Virginia
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51).....	Indian Territory
WILLIAM H. SANFORD (7).....	Kansas
WILLIAM D. TODD (7).....	Louisiana
JETHRO C. SANFORD (46).....	Manitoba
ED. C. PARMELEE (48).....	Maine, Missouri, Oregon, Vermont
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (7).....	Maryland
LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF (5).....	Michigan, New Mexico
FRANK CHURCH (5).....	Mississippi
WARREN M. FLETCHER (48).....	Montana
WILLIAM T. BRIDWELL (15).....	Nevada
CALVIN E. REED (7).....	Nebraska
HENRY P. H. BROMWELL (5).....	New Brunswick
GEORGE K. KIMBALL (1).....	New Hampshire
JOHN M. MAXWELL (51).....	New Jersey
CROMWELL TUCKER (5).....	New South Wales
FRANK G. MIRICK (31).....	New York
CHARLES T. HARKISON (7).....	New Zealand
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15).....	North Carolina
HORACE T. DeLONG (55).....	North Dakota
JOHN GREGOR (5).....	Nova Scotia
GEORGE W. ROE (95).....	Ohio
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13).....	Rhode Island
WILLIAM L. BUSH (26).....	South Dakota
LAWRENCE M. MILLER (55).....	Tennessee
MARSHALL H. DEAN (65).....	Texas
JOHN F. DRESCHER (7).....	Utah
LUTHER H. WYGANT, Jr. (86).....	Wisconsin

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

The Representatives of other Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge were called to the East, received with the Grand Honors, and fraternally welcomed by the Grand Master.

Past Grand Master Henry M. Teller (6) responded in an impressive and fraternal manner.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The Grand Master delivered the following address:

With our heads bowed in humble reverence, let us each and every one offer up a silent prayer of thanksgiving to our Supreme Grand Master, who for thirty-eight consecutive years has so kindly directed the affairs of our Grand Jurisdiction that during that entire period not a single Grand Lodge officer has been called to pass through the Valley of the Shadow of Death while in the discharge of his official duties. This is a remarkable record, such as perhaps no other jurisdiction has ever been permitted to make. For it we ought to be profoundly thankful as well as justly proud.

It is with much pleasure that I welcome every officer and member of this Grand Lodge to this our Thirty-ninth Annual Communication. To those whose familiar faces we have been accustomed to meet year after year, I can only say it is considered a blessed privilege to greet you again; to those who for the first time have come to our councils, permit me to extend the right hand of fellowship, with the assurance that you are doubly welcome and with the hope that you may be permitted to return regularly for many years to come.

NECROLOGY.

Scarcely had the members of this Grand Lodge reached their several homes after the closing of our last annual session when the sad intelligence was received that the Reaper of Death had swung the scythe of Time into the ranks of our Past Grand officers and had gathered into the land of those who have gone before us our illustrious Past Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Francis L. Childs.

Scarcely had the funeral obsequies been performed over his grave when we were notified that the Reaper had again made his

appearance, and this time had claimed our distinguished friend and brother, M. W. Past Grand Master Oren H. Henry.

While our hearts were still bleeding over the departure of these beloved, we were again informed that death had invaded our ranks, this time to claim as his own M. W. Bro. George Edward Wyman, another Past Grand Master.

With our heads bowed in humility, but with our faith firmly fixed on high, we were trusting that we might be spared from undergoing again this year the sorrows of separation. But this was not the will of our Heavenly Father, who called from his labors here on earth to eternal refreshment beyond our Most Worshipful and dearly beloved brother, Past Grand Master Byron L. Carr.

I have caused suitable memorials to be prepared, printed and circulated as a tribute to the memory of these, our illustrious dead.

The hand of affliction has fallen heavy upon many of our Subordinate Lodges. Not only have they lost from the rank and file, but many who have held official positions of honor and responsibility have been called to dimitt from the Lodge below and to unite with the Supreme Lodge Universal above. From the returns on file in the office of our Grand Secretary, I find that no fewer than 118 have passed into the realms of eternity since we met here a year ago. Their memories we cherish in our hearts. Peace be to their ashes.

OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

Many other Grand Jurisdictions, like our own, have been called to mourn their illustrious dead. It would be but courteous to give an extended notice of each, but time and space forbid. We extend to our sister jurisdictions in affliction, fraternal sympathy and the consolation of the hope of a faithful Mason. The roll of their honored dead, so far as we have been notified, is as follows:

Alabama—M. W. Henry Clay Tompkins, Past Grand Master.

Arkansas—M. W. John J. Sumpter, Past Grand Master.

Florida—M. W. William A. McLean, Past Grand Master; M. W. Henry T. Stewart, Past Grand Master, and R. W. A. L. Williams, Past Deputy Grand Master.

Kansas—M. W. John Moses Price, Past Grand Master.

Mississippi—R. W. William Gallatin Paxton, Past Grand Treasurer.

Nebraska—M. W. Robert C. Jordan, Past Grand Master, and R. W. William R. Bowen, Veteran Grand Secretary.

North Dakota—R. W. Thomas J. Wilder, Past Grand Treasurer.

Nova Scotia—M. W. Lewis Johnstone, Past Grand Master, and R. W. Edmund C. Mahon, Past Deputy Grand Master.

Ohio—M. W. Charles C. Kiefer, Past Grand Master.

Oregon—M. W. George M. Stroud, Past Grand Master.

Tennessee—M. W. Archelaus M. Hughes, Past Grand Master, and R. W. John Ridley Frizzell, Past Grand Secretary.

Virginia—M. W. John R. Purdie, Past Grand Master.

I recommend that a special committee be appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions, and that memorial pages be set apart in our proceedings.

OUR BRETHREN IN THE WAR.

Only one report has been received concerning members of our Subordinate Lodges who have enlisted and gone to war. It does seem that the data concerning this important part of our Masonic history ought to be gathered while everything is fresh in the memories of all.

On March 29, 1899, Pueblo No. 17 reported that Captain John S. Stewart, a Past Master of that Lodge, was killed in action, March 25, near Manila. No details concerning his life, history or death were given.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT.

Certain Lodges are having their troubles, but the Craft as a whole in this jurisdiction is in a very prosperous condition. Only one appeal has come to my notice, and all the papers for this are now in the hands of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, which will, I am confident, easily dispose of the case to the satisfaction of all parties concerned. In my visitations I have found the Craft hungry for information. We ought to have better methods for disseminating Masonic knowledge.

FUNERALS.

On October 6, 1898, I commissioned M. W. Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf to convene the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado in Denver on Friday, October 7, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., to conduct the funeral services of our Most Worshipful Brother, Past Grand Master Oren H. Henry. The report shows that there was a good attendance and that the services were impressive.

On April 23, 1899, I commissioned M. W. Brother William D. Todd to convene the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado in Longmont on Wednesday, April 26, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899, at 11 o'clock a. m., to conduct the funeral services of our Most Worshipful Brother, Past Grand Master Byron L. Carr. The report shows that Colorado Commandery No. 1, K. T., Long's Peak Commandery No. 12, K. T., and St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, A. F. & A. M., acted as escorts for the Grand Lodge, and that representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic and Sons of the Revolution were present. The services were unusually impressive. On the return from the cemetery, the ladies of the Eastern Star kindly furnished an excellent lunch. Every possible courtesy was shown to the members of the Grand Lodge by our brethren in Longmont.

AGENTS OF GRAND LODGE.

On October 27, 1898, I wrote to Brothers John G. Huntington, of Del Norte; S. D. Carleton, of Alamosa, and W. W. Roof, of Tin Cup, asking them to continue as agents of the Grand Lodge under the commissions already issued them and to report regularly each and every month to the Grand Secretary. The latter two accepted the positions of trust, but Bro. Huntington stated that as he was about to leave Del Norte he could not act. On November 15, 1898, I appointed Bro. James H. Baxter to fill the vacancy, sending him a commission, and requesting him to report to the Grand Secretary, who will give you the report of receipts and disbursements in connection with our properties in these three places.

GRAND LODGE PROPERTY.

On January 20, 1899, I requested the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary to pay \$1,000 on our Alamosa mortgage, which was done, and the Grand Secretary reported that he had seen the indorsement duly made on the note.

Later I requested the Grand Secretary to pay the taxes on all our Grand Lodge properties and have no doubt he has given this matter his usual prompt attention.

I have requested M. W. Bro. Harper M. Orahood to act as attorney for the Grand Lodge in quieting the title to our property in Del Norte. The title still stands in the name of Del Norte Lodge No. 20, A. F. & A. M., whose charter has been arrested. Bro. Orahood has not yet reported to me how nearly his labors

are finished. I would recommend that the Grand Lodge appropriate sufficient funds to pay the court costs and a reasonable attorney fee.

AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES.

My attention having been called to the fact that valuable property belonging to the widow of our first Grand Master had been sold for taxes and that there was danger of a tax deed issuing, which would take from her a farm on which she depends for support, and after taking advice from several brethren, especially those located near the property, I authorized and directed our Grand Secretary to purchase as trustee for the Grand Lodge the outstanding tax certificates and to pay all subsequent taxes and have the same duly indorsed on the certificates, all of which I am informed he has done. Because of certain peculiar circumstances of a private nature connected with this case, I recommend that a special committee be appointed to carefully consider the same and if possible to report to this session of the Grand Lodge.

TWO DEL NORTE NOTES.

Bro. John G. Huntington called my attention to the fact that two certain notes, one numbered 136 for \$9.00 and the other numbered 137 for \$10.00, given by Del Norte No. 29, whose charter has been arrested, did not have the signature of the Worshipful Master of said Lodge. Bro. Huntington affirmed that to the best of his knowledge and belief the Lodge had received the money and that the notes ought to be paid. I requested the Grand Secretary to look into the matter and directed that if he was convinced that the notes ought to be recognized, that he should treat them as if legally executed and pay them in their turn.

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

Everything connected with the Washington Memorial exercises has been committed to the care of our excellent special committee. Early in the year it was my privilege to suggest to them to prepare an outline program to be used, with modifications, by all the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction, in the exercises they will hold in December next. This they have prepared and will submit to you with a report of their other official acts.

When our committee was confronted with a request from the brethren of Virginia for additional funds, your Grand Master would have ordered that a warrant be drawn and the full amount be forwarded at once, if he had believed it to be within his reasonable discretion. In lieu of this he authorized the committee to solicit in the name and on behalf of the Grand Lodge sufficient funds so that they could guarantee to our brethren in Virginia that their brethren in Colorado would not refuse any reasonable request.

The Washington Memorial occasion is an auspicious event, full of interest not only to the Masons of this generation but to the craft universal for all time to come. This jurisdiction is especially interested in doing all that can be expected of it to assist in maintaining the dignity of the occasion. The first thought concerning this centennial memorial was conceived in the brain of one of our own distinguished members, and our Grand Lodge approved the idea as soon as it was mentioned. At our request the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia has taken the lead in planning for these exercises. She has found that the event is of more than local interest, of more than national interest, that it is of world-wide interest. She has found that the funds required far exceed her original estimate and she has therefore appealed to us for \$1,000 in addition to the paltry \$75 appropriated one year ago. When making that meager appropriation we resolved that "This Grand Lodge will cheerfully contribute such additional pro rata as may be necessary." We ought not to stop for a moment to inquire whether or not the contribution now asked is pro rata, for no Grand Lodge, save that of Virginia only, is so deeply interested in the success of these exercises as our own. To falter now would be to place ourselves in an unfavorable light before the whole world. I therefore recommend that we pass by unanimous vote an appropriation of \$1,000 and direct our Grand Secretary to forward the same immediately.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

It is with pleasure that I report that the M. W. Grand Lodge of Tennessee has asked for an exchange of representatives. I recommended Bro. Lawrence M. Miller, of Mesa No. 55, as their representative near our Grand Lodge.

I recommended R. W. Bro. James R. Killian, of Huerfano No. 27, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M. W. Bro. Byron L. Carr as the representative of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Canada near our Grand Lodge.

Upon the recommendations of the M. W. Grand Masters of other Grand Lodges, commissions have been issued appointing the following brothers as our representatives:

Tennessee—John F. Williamson.

Manitoba—William Arthur Lang—December 30, 1898.

Illinois—L. C. Waters—February 2, 1899.

In Colorado Springs, assisted by R. W. Bro. George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden; R. W. Bro. Eleazor W. Sibbald, Grand Chaplain, and R. W. Bro. James R. Killian, Grand Orator, together with many brethren from Colorado Springs and other places, on Wednesday evening, November 16, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898, at 8 o'clock, I constituted in ample form Tejon Lodge No. 104 A. F. & A. M., and installed its officers. There was much interest manifested by the members and the new Lodge promises to be a great honor to the fraternity.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS.

On February 16, 1899, I signed a duplicate charter for Rico No. 79, their original charter having been lost or accidentally destroyed.

On August 31, 1899, while in Denver, I signed a duplicate charter for Victor No. 99, their original charter having been lost in the great Victor fire.

CHARTER SURRENDERED.

On March 6, 1899, I forwarded to the Grand Secretary for safe keeping the charter of Pitkin No. 40, which had been surrendered by unanimous vote at the last regular meeting of said Lodge, held in its hall in Pitkin on the evening of December 10, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898, and later forwarded to me by registered mail, arriving on February 20, 1899.

Bro. John F. Crystal, the former Worshipful Master of Pitkin No. 40, informed me that he had sent direct to the Grand Secretary the books, papers and similar belongings of said Lodge. I requested Brother Crystal to take charge of the furniture and any other property and hold the same for the Grand Lodge.

NEW LODGES.

After much hesitation and no little correspondence, I have issued dispensations for three new Lodges which I trust will meet with your approval.

On January 31, 1899, to fourteen brethren at Ward, in Boulder county, Colorado, to hold a regular Lodge of Master Masons, to be known as Audubon Lodge U. D., with Bro. Robert R. Gibbon as Worshipful Master, Bro. Milburn Knapp as Senior Warden, and Bro. Jasper P. Coffey as Junior Warden.

On August 8, 1899, to thirteen brethren at Goldfield, in Teller county, Colorado, to hold a regular Lodge of Master Masons, to be known as Goldfield Lodge U. D., with Bro. Luff Lewis Hamilton as Worshipful Master, Bro. Eli Cann as Senior Warden and Bro. William McKenzie as Junior Warden.

On August 23, 1899, to fourteen brethren at Eaton, in Weld county, Colorado, to hold a regular Lodge of Master Masons, to be known as Abdallah Lodge U. D., with Bro. Will L. Petrikin as Worshipful Master, Bro. Frank N. Thomas as Senior Warden and Bro. James M. Price as Junior Warden.

These will all present their reports to the Grand Lodge and ask either for charters or a continuation of their dispensations.

I was asked to give Goldfield Lodge U. D., and Victor No. 99, concurrent jurisdiction, but thought best to leave that matter for the action of the Grand Lodge.

At my request the Grand Secretary indorsed on the dispensation of Tyrian Lodge U. D., and Egeria Lodge U. D., the action taken at our last session, continuing the same for one year.

BONDS APPROVED.

On October 12, 1898, I received from the Grand Secretary continuation certificates Nos. 12239 and 12240, of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, extending their insurance bonds Nos. 65708 and 65709 for our Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, in the sum of \$5,000 each, from October 1, 1898, to October 1, 1899, and I duly approved the same.

KENTUCKY ARMY LODGE NO. 1, U. D.

Report has been received from Kentucky Army Lodge No. 1 U. D., stating that it had taken no action whatever on the request of Durango No. 46 to confer the second and third degrees upon Bro. H. B. Grant, an Entered Apprentice member of the latter Lodge.

DIFFICULTIES SETTLED.

A misunderstanding arose between Silver Cliff No. 38 and Victor No. 99 concerning the expenses incurred in caring for a member of the former living in the jurisdiction of the latter who

needed help during a serious illness. After a fraternal correspondence with both Lodges everything was satisfactorily settled.

It is with pleasure that I acknowledge the kind assistance of R. W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Arkansas, in settling a misunderstanding between Richmond No. 94, of Arkansas, and Alamosa No. 44, of Colorado, over the funeral expenses of a member of the former who died in the jurisdiction of the latter. As the dispute arose over the contents of a lost telegram received in June, 1893, the brethren of Alamosa accepted the offer of the brethren of Richmond and the matter was settled.

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

The question of physical qualifications will not down. Although more questions have been asked concerning this than any other one question during the year, I have made but one decision touching it. It has been my practice to call the attention of the Lodges to By-Law No. 74 and the twenty-one approved decisions growing out of it, and then to recommend that this By-Law and all of these decisions be read in open Lodge before the ballot is cast. With this enlightenment let the brethren cast their ballots for the good of Masonry and we can well afford to risk the results. This course has seemed to me better than to continue encumbering our records with specific decisions.

THE EASTERN STAR.

In various places where it has been my privilege to visit during the year, the ladies of the Eastern Star have assisted in making the occasion very pleasant. Permit me to make special mention of the kindness and courtesy extended by them in Aspen. On Friday evening, June 24, 1899, when Right Worthy Grand Matron Mrs. Lizzie B. Spreyer visited the local Chapter there, your Grand Master was made the guest of honor, in fact the only invited guest of the occasion, and he was permitted to witness an exemplification of their floral work which it will be a pleasure for him never to forget. It was so beautiful in every detail that I can describe it only by calling it grand. Long may the Eastern Star flourish; long may it live to influence and assist our beloved Order in spreading the doctrines and tenets of Masonry.

ADNA ADAMS TREAT.

Believing that we are honored by having without our jurisdiction a brother who with his eye undimmed and his mind unimpaired has completed his second year of the second century of his life, your Grand Master and Grand Secretary prepared and forwarded on April 8, 1899, the following letter:

Adna Adams Treat, Denver, Colorado:

Dear Brother and Reverend Patriarch—All the brethren of this jurisdiction join with the undersigned Grand Officers in extending to you our sincere and hearty congratulations on your having completed your 102nd year in full possession of your mental faculties and in the enjoyment of your usual health and strength.

Your long and useful career, your kind and fraternal disposition, your hoary crown of years and honor are an inspiration to us, ever encouraging each and all to live the precepts and practice the virtues taught within the tiled recesses of the Lodge.

May our Supreme Grand Master fill your heart with His love, may all the blessed promises of Holy Writ—that Great Light in Masonry—be your comfort and strength through your remaining time, and finally, by the benefit of a pass—a pure and a blameless life—may you gain ready admission into that Celestial Lodge above, there to enjoy forever the love divine that ennobleth all hearts, and to join in the hosannas exalted that employ every tongue.

Very fraternally yours,

(Seal)

HORACE T. DeLONG,

ED. C. PARMELEE,

Grand Master.

Grand Secretary.

In reply to the above and to congratulatory letters sent him by our Past Grand Masters the following was received:

Denver, Colo., April 10, 1899.

To the Past Grand Masters, Grand Master and Officers of the Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Greeting—Your kind messages of April 8th, in remembrance of the one hundred and second anniversary of my birth, are received.

The honor conferred as an expression from so distinguished and honorable a body of men, bound together by the ties of true Masonry, calls forth my highest regard and appreciation.

Be assured that the kindly sentiments and lofty expressions conveyed in your communications addressed to me, but serve to emphasize to my mind the ennobling precepts and the sublime teachings as found in the ritual of Free Masonry.

The variegated wealth of verdure and bloom, bound together as a sheaf freshly garnered to adorn my room and delight my eye, brings with it a richness of perfume and a radiance of

beauty that would do honor to the lowly as well as the highest official in the Order of Masonry.

In conclusion, permit me to again thank you as true noblemen of the Craft for your thoughtful remembrance, your kindly expressions and well wishes for my present and future welfare.

"As the sun rules the day and the moon governs the night, so may we rule and govern our thoughts and acts," that the Great Architect of the Universe may welcome us when our earthly pilgrimage is ended, to His Celestial Mansions.

Fraternally yours,

ADNA ADAMS TREAT.

CORNER STONES.

On June 19, 1899, I commissioned R. W. Bro. George T. Cooper to convene the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado in Hooper on Saturday, June 24, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m., to lay the corner stone of the First Methodist Episcopal church of that place. The report shows that everything was properly done and that the occasion was very pleasant and profitable.

On Tuesday, August 29, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899, assisted by R. W. Bro. George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden; R. W. Bro. Frank G. Mirick, Grand Lecturer, and W. Bro. Herschel M. Hogg, Junior Grand Deacon, I opened the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado in Cripple Creek at 2 o'clock p. m. to lay the corner stone of the High School building at that place. There were about one hundred of the brethren present and much interest taken in the services. The ceremonies were given complete and two orations delivered, one on education and the other on Masonry.

DEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE AT TELLURIDE.

In the beautiful little city of Telluride, surrounded by snow-capped peaks and scenery as picturesque as any in our beloved state, I convened the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado on Wednesday, May 24, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899, at 5:30 o'clock p. m., and with the assistance of the following Grand Lodge officers and Past Grand Masters: R. W. Alphonse A. Burnand, Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Joseph W. Milsom, Senior Grand Warden; R. W. George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden; R. W. Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary; R. W. Eleazor W. Sibbald, Grand Chaplain; R. W. James R. Killian, Grand Orator; W. Marshall H. Dean, Senior Grand Deacon; W. Herschel M. Hogg, Junior

Grand Deacon; Lawrence M. Miller, Junior Grand Steward; M. W. Lawrence N. Greenleaf, Past Grand Master; M. W. Jethro C. Sanford, Past Grand Master, and a large number of brethren from Telluride, Rico, Durango, Montrose and other places, I solemnly set apart and dedicated to Freemasonry, to Virtue and to Universal Benevolence the fine new Masonic Temple, which is owned by the Chapter, Lodge and other stockholders of that city. The Temple is the pride of Telluride, and it is a monument to the untiring energy, devotion and zeal of the brethren who dwell there. It would be a pleasure to mention name after name of those who have given so much of their time, money and influence in securing to the craft its splendid home, but space forbids.

The evening was given over to an intellectual treat. The new hall was filled with Masons and their ladies, who listened with rapt attention to the Grand Orator, Grand Chaplain, Past Grand Master Greenleaf and several others who addressed them on Masonic subjects. Having filled the head and heart with the good things at this feast, many departed to another hall, where they set their feet in motion to keep time to the rhythmic music of certain familiar tunes.

The brethren of Telluride never know when they have been kind enough, for it is their invariable rule to crowd the hours full of entertainment until their guests have departed for home. On Thursday they gave a free excursion over the scenic Southern railroad to picturesque Trout lake, where we all enjoyed ourselves more than we were able to express. May many years of prosperity and Divine protection and blessing be to our brethren in Telluride.

I can not close this report without making special acknowledgment of the valuable assistance rendered me by Bro. Lawrence M. Miller, who acted as Grand Marshal and took charge of the procession during the dedication; also of most valuable assistance rendered by Bro. Charles F. Painter of Telluride, who is president of the Temple Association, and who seemed to be chairman of every committee connected with the occasion.

ST. JOHN'S DAY.

On June 19, 1899, I appointed R. W. Bro. George T. Cooper my special representative to visit the San Luis Valley Masonic Association, which held its annual meeting in Hooper on June 24. He reported that every courtesy due the Grand Master was extended to him, and that a royal good time was had by all who attended.

On June 21, 1899, I appointed R. W. Bro. Frank G. Mirick my special representative to visit the Clear Creek Valley Masonic Association, which held its annual meeting in Georgetown on June 24, but he reported that pressing private business prevented his accepting the commission, and it was then too late to secure another to represent the Grand Lodge.

On June 24 I visited the San Juan Masonic Association, which held its annual meeting in Ouray. Every session of the Association was full of enthusiasm. In the afternoon a most excellent literary and musical entertainment was given to the public. At 6 o'clock in the evening the banquet was served, followed by several good addresses on Masonic subjects, and followed still later by the light fantastic. Everybody enjoyed the occasion.

VISITATIONS.

On Thursday evening, September 22, 1898, accompanied by M. W. Brothers Past Grand Masters Jethro C. Sanford and William D. Peirce, I visited Schiller No. 41. This was my first experience in visiting as Grand Master, and it is an occasion long to be remembered. Worshipful Master Charles J. Knoch extended a most cordial welcome, delivered in the German language, not one word of which is intelligible to me. But this was in accordance with the charter of Schiller Lodge, which requires all its work to be done in German. After the reception ceremonies were over, several good addresses were made in English and the Grand Master was permitted to reply to the address of welcome.

On Friday evening, October 6, 1898, accompanied by Lawrence M. Miller, Junior Grand Steward, I visited Mesa No. 55, my home Lodge. There was no work, but the occasion was very pleasant, and all the more so because there chanced to be present no fewer than three who had been made Masons in Fairview No. 194, of Iowa, my mother Lodge.

On Thursday evening, November 17, 1898, I visited Lamar No. 90 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree upon Clarence M. Lee, an old-time college friend whom I had not seen for many years. On invitation the Grand Master delivered the lecture. We all had a very enjoyable occasion.

On Friday evening, November 18, 1898, accompanied by M. W. Bro. William D. Peirce, Past Grand Master, and Luther H. Wygant, Jr., Senior Grand Steward, I visited Highlands No. 86 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree in a very creditable manner.

On Friday evening, December 15, 1898, accompanied by Lawrence M. Miller, Junior Grand Steward, I again visited Mesa No. 55, my home Lodge, and installed its officers.

On Tuesday evening, December 27, 1898, accompanied by Lawrence M. Miller and the officers and several members of Mesa No. 55, I visited Plateau No. 101 and installed its officers. The work on the Third Degree was exemplified, on invitation, by the brethren of Mesa No. 55, the Grand Master delivering the lecture. The enthusiasm was unusually great, no one being allowed to retire prior to 2 o'clock a. m.

On Tuesday evening, May 23, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Marshall H. Dean, Senior Grand Deacon, and Lawrence M. Miller, Junior Grand Steward, I visited Rico No. 79 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree. The work was fine and we all enjoyed ourselves.

On Thursday evening, May 25, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bros. Alphonse A. Burnand, Deputy Grand Master; Joseph W. Milsom, Senior Grand Warden; George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden; Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary; James R. Killian, Grand Orator; Eleazor W. Sibbald, Grand Chaplain; Herschel M. Hogg, Junior Grand Deacon; Lawrence M. Miller, Junior Grand Steward, and M. W. Lawrence N. Greenleaf, Past Grand Master, I visited Telluride No. 56 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree. The work would have been a credit to any Lodge. Speeches were made and everybody remained till long after midnight. A flashlight picture was taken and all voted the occasion a complete success.

On Friday evening, May 26, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bros. Joseph W. Milsom, Senior Grand Warden; George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden, and Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary, I visited Montrose No. 63. There was no work, but the brethren were full of questions and kept the Grand Lodge officers busy till long after midnight explaining Masonic law and symbolism and exemplifying various parts of the esoteric work. All enjoyed it and some said they had never had so good a time before.

On Wednesday evening, June 14, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Marshall H. Dean, Senior Grand Deacon, I visited Glenwood No. 65. There was no work, but much interest was manifested in the discussion of various Masonic matters.

On Thursday evening, June 23, 1899, I visited Spar No. 60 and Hiram No. 98, in joint communication. There was no work, but again the wee small hours found us actively engaged in ex-

plaining various symbols and in exemplifying different parts of the esoteric work.

On Friday evening, June 23, 1899, I visited Ouray No. 37 and witnessed the conferring of the First Degree in a very acceptable manner. There were many visiting brethren present from Durango, Silverton, Telluride, Rico and other places.

On Monday evening, June 26, 1899, I visited San Juan No. 33. They informed me that I was the second Grand Master who had visited them since their charter was granted in 1877, over twenty years ago. They were hungry for Masonic information and your Grand Master did the best he could to give them nourishment. Although there was no work the evening passed very pleasantly and all too quickly.

On Tuesday evening, June 27, 1899, I again visited Ouray No. 37 and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree. The officers are careful and precise and take great pride in their work.

On Friday evening, July 14, 1899, accompanied by M. W. Bros. Harper M. Orahoad and Wm. L. Bush, Past Grand Masters, I visited Idaho Springs No. 26. The Lodge was not opened for the members had invited their ladies and a few outside friends to assist in celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the granting of their dispensation. They gathered in their hall, had a sociable time and then went to the banquet at the hotel. Several very interesting addresses were made, all their old notes and mortgages were burned and the Lodge was proclaimed to be the owner of its own building free and clear of all indebtedness. One brother, who was initiated in the early days when the Lodge was accustomed to present an apron and then compelled to say afterwards that it did not mean it, was given a fine white lambskin to silence forever all further criticism. All in all, it was a red letter day for our brethren in Idaho Springs.

On Saturday evening, July 15, 1899, I visited Columbia No. 14 and Boulder No. 45, in joint communication. There was no work, but the usual interest in the discussion of Masonic subjects.

On Monday evening, July 17, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bro. George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden, and about thirty brethren from Colorado Springs and Colorado City, I visited Manitou No. 68. El Paso No. 13 furnished a candidate for the Third Degree, which was conferred by the officers of Manitou No. 68 in a in a very acceptable manner. We closed early to catch the last car at midnight.

On Tuesday evening, July 18, 1899, I visited Victor No. 99. There was no work, but the hall was crowded with visitors and

members who plied the Grand Master with questions to his heart's content. It is my humble belief that much good was done and that everybody enjoyed the meeting.

On Wednesday evening, July 19, 1899, I visited Carbondale No. 82. The membership is small and scattered, so that only few were present, but we had an interesting, pleasant and sociable occasion. There was no work.

On Wednesday evening, August 9, 1899, I visited Delta No. 62. They have one of the finest Masonic and general libraries I have seen in my visitations, excepting only the library of the Grand Lodge. Bro. J. H. Halley, Junior Warden of this Lodge and a member of our Committee on Correspondence, has the honor of being the founder of this library. He has given liberally of his own means and worked energetically and judiciously in securing desirable books. They had no work, but in such a Lodge you may be assured we had a royal time.

On Thursday evening, August 10, 1899, I visited Mt. Lam-born No. 102. There were present brethren from Delta, Montrose, Grand Junction and one even from Denver. There was no work, but we passed a very interesting evening. This Lodge has been divided over the trial of a brother for unmasonic conduct and a very unhappy condition has for some time past existed. It is hoped and believed that the visitation did much towards restoring harmony, and we all trust that the offending brother will soon mend his ways.

On Friday evening, August 29, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bro. George D. Kennedy, Junior Grand Warden; Frank G. Mirick, Grand Lecturer, and Herschel M. Hogg, Junior Grand Deacon, I visited Mt. Pisgah No. 96. Their large hall was well filled with members and visitors. Again there was no work, but another pleasant evening was passed in Masonic discussions. The time passed all too quickly and the session was short, for the Grand Lodge officers had to take the night trains out for Denver.

On Saturday evening, September 2, 1899, accompanied by R. W. Bro. James R. Killian, Grand Orator, I visited Huerfano No. 27, and witnessed the conferring of the third degree, delivering the lecture on request of the Worshipful Master.

The one great disappointment of my year's service is that I could not visit more. Urgent invitations have come in from every direction throughout our jurisdiction for the Grand Master to make official visitations. Lack of time and conflicting engagements have compelled me to decline many invitations it would have been a great pleasure to accept. It has been my policy to visit as nearly as possible all the Lodges on the western slope,

but there were a few I could not reach. At the same time I have visited as many Lodges as possible in other parts of the State, always giving the preference, in cases where dates conflicted, to the weaker Lodge. I believe the visitations have been a benefit to the Craft; I know they have been a pleasure to me. As a rule we have found it more profitable where there was no work, for a large number of Masonic subjects could then be freely and fully discussed.

VICTOR FIRE.

Less than a month ago a fire swept over the city of Victor, destroying the entire business portion, including the building in which Victor No. 99 had its hall. Everything, except their jewels, which they had kindly loaned to their brethren in Goldfield, was destroyed. Many members of the Lodge have met with heavy losses individually. Not a word of complaint has come up from these good brethren, not an intimation for aid or assistance. It is true that, like good business men, they had insured their Lodge furniture and thus their loss is partly covered; yet I recommend that it would be a gracious and very appropriate act to bear a part of the burden by remitting their Grand Lodge dues for this current year.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

In lieu of the usual exemplification of the work, I have requested the R. W. Grand Lecturer to be present this evening and assist in holding a Lodge of Instruction. So many questions have been asked me on my visitations concerning the correct rendering of the ritual, concerning how to receive the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers, how to introduce properly visiting brethren, and concerning many other questions of vital interest to the Craft, that I have felt this evening can be most profitably spent in discussing them. In 1894 M. W. Bro. Cromwell Tucker and others were appointed a Special Committee on Ritual. This committee, which has not reported heretofore, has been requested to make its report this evening. You may expect an interesting and instructive occasion and I would urge upon each and every member of the Grand Lodge to be present. There will be refreshments; mental, not physical.

DUES.

Time and space forbid a proper discussion of this important matter. It seems clear that all the evils of non-affiliation, as well as those of suspension for non-payment of dues, cluster around this one subject. So many brethren are standing within the gates and yet without the sanctuary, so many thousands are annually cut off from all Masonic privileges, including that of Masonic burial, all on account of the question of dues, that it does seem as if the wisdom of the Craft ought to be able to solve this important problem.

Permit me to state that in my humble opinion the time is coming, and no man knows how soon, when the fees for the first three degrees will be made to cover not only the cost of initiating, crafting and raising, but will include enough to pay for a life membership. Then, instead of being prohibited, life memberships will become universal; then, by wise laws prohibiting the use of these funds during the life of the member, sufficient interest can be obtained to pay annually into the treasury more than can be collected from dues. When that day comes we will have no non-affiliates, no brethren suspended for non-payment of dues. Then will it be universally known that every suspended Mason has committed some crime greater than the crime of poverty.

DISPENSATIONS.

For reasons that by me were deemed good and sufficient, I have granted the following dispensations, for which the usual fee has been paid:

On October 19, 1898, to Occidental No. 20, to examine Bro. Jack Melvin, a Fellow Craft, receive his application for the third degree and ballot on the same, all at a special communication to be held on Friday evening, October 21, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898, in their hall.

On November 17, 1898, to Lamar No. 90, to examine Bro. Clarence M. Lee, a Fellow Craft, receive his petition for the third degree and ballot on same all at a special communication to be held in their hall on Thursday evening, November 17, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898.

On December 17, 1898, to Mancos No. 100, to hold a public installation of their officers on Tuesday, December 20, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898, in Mancos.

On December 24, 1898, to Sterling No. 54, to elect a Worshipful Master at a special communication to be held in their hall on Tuesday evening, December 27, A. L. 5898, A. D. 1898. The brother elected at the stated communication in December having refused to be installed.

On January 3, 1899, to Collins No. 19, to elect a Worshipful Master, if necessary, from the floor, to install him, and also to install the Senior Deacon, all at a special communication to be held in their hall on Wednesday evening, January 4, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899, the circumstances being the same as in the former case.

On January 13, 1899, to Amethyst No. 94, to install the Tiler at a regular communication to be held in their hall on Saturday, January 21, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899.

On January 25, 1899, to Fremont No. 97, to install its officers at a regular communication to be held in its hall on Wednesday evening, February 1, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899.

On April 11, 1899, to Telluride No. 56, to install their Junior Warden at a regular communication to be held in their hall on Wednesday evening, April 12, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899.

On June 27, 1899, to Ouray No. 37, to examine Bro. Walton A. Reynolds, a Fellow Craft, receive his petition for the third degree and ballot on same, all at a special communication to be held in their hall on Tuesday evening, June 27, A. L. 5899, A. D. 1899.

DIVINE SERVICES.

On December 12, 1898, permission was given to Mt. Princeton No. 49 to attend services as a Lodge in Buena Vista on Sunday, December 25, 1898.

On December 12, 1898, permission was given to Idaho Springs No. 26, to attend services as a Lodge in Idaho Springs on Sunday, January 1, 1899.

On June 22, 1899, permission was given to Silver State No. 95 to attend services as a Lodge in Pueblo on Sunday, June 25, 1899.

PERMISSION TO CONTRACT A DEBT.

On June 15, 1899, I granted authority to Gunnison No. 39 to purchase a lot and building for Masonic purposes and issue its obligations for \$1,700. Reports show that the Lodge secured a bargain and that the deal was a wise one.

CHANGE OF QUARTERS.

On October 7, 1898, permission was given to Colorado City No. 76 to move into a new hall on the third floor of a good brick building in Colorado City.

On October 11, 1898, permission was given to St. John's No. 75 to move into the hall occupied by the Knights of Pythias in Rocky Ford.

On February 6, 1899, permission was given St. John's No. 75 to move from the hall of the Knights of Pythias into their own new and very desirable quarters.

On May 15, 1899, permission was given Telluride No. 56 to move from their old hall into their fine new apartments in the Masonic Temple.

On June 15, 1899, permission was given Silver State No. 95 to move from their old location into the hall in the Pioneer block with Pueblo No. 17.

On June 19, 1899, permission was given to Sterling No. 54 to move from their old location into the hall occupied by the Odd Fellows in the town of Sterling.

On August 29, 1899, permission was given Victor No. 90 to meet, after the receipt of their duplicate charter, in the hall at Goldfield occupied by Goldfield Lodge U. D., until more convenient arrangements could be made.

On September 13, 1899, permission was given Victor No. 90 to move from the hall in Goldfield into the school house in Victor until new and suitable permanent quarters could be obtained.

On September 13, 1899, permission was given to Gunnison No. 39 to move from their old quarters into their new hall located in the building known as the "News Democrat" building, in Gunnison.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

On November 7, 1898, for El Paso No. 13, an amendment to section 1, article 8, raising the fees for the three degrees from \$30 to \$50. Also an amendment to section 3, article 9, permitting a majority vote at any stated communication to remit the dues of any brother unable to pay the same. Also an amendment to strike out of section 3, article 7, the clause requiring a fee of \$5 for affiliation when the membership of the Lodge shall exceed three hundred.

On December 12, 1898, for Mt. Pisgah No. 96, an amendment to section 8, article 1, changing the same so that after January 1, 1899, Thursday evening of each and every week shall be a regular communication.

On December 12, 1898, for Victor No. 99, an amendment to section 9, making Tuesday evening of each and every week a regular communication.

On December 12, 1898, for El Paso No. 13, an amendment to section 3 requiring the Treasurer to give an insurance bond of \$1,000, and an amendment to section 6, requiring the Secretary to give an insurance bond of \$500.

On February 2, 1899, for Highlands No. 86, an amendment to section 8, article 1, raising the compensation of the Secretary, payable quarterly from 15% to 20% of all dues he collects.

With no limitation on the total amount to be paid the Secretary in any one year, the above seems to me a very high percentage, but under By-Law No. 30, the Lodge has the right to vote such percentage as it may deem best.

On February 2, 1899, for Delta No. 62, an amendment to section 2, article 5, reducing the fees for the three degrees to \$30.

On March 28, 1899, for Oriental No. 87, an amendment to section 2, article 9, fixing the compensation of the Secretary at 20% of all the dues he collects, not exceeding \$250 in any one year. Also an amendment to section 2, article 10, setting aside all the fees received for the first three degrees, after deducting the amount to be paid to the Masonic Temple Association, as a relief fund to be used solely for members of the Lodge, their widows and orphans, and requiring a two-thirds vote of all members present at any regular communication to make an appropriation.

On March 28, 1899, for Windsor No. 69, an amendment to section 1, article 7, fixing the compensation of the Secretary at 10% of all the dues he collects.

On March 28, 1899, for Central City No. 6, an amendment to section 1, article 5, providing that every member under the age of 65 shall pay as dues \$1.25 on or before the first regular meeting in the months of February, May, August and November of each year.

On May 31, 1899, for South Denver No. 93, an amendment to section 1, article 5, exempting from dues all members who are 60 years of age and over, provided they have paid dues in said Lodge for at least five years.

On August 9, 1899, for Durango No. 46, an amendment providing that all members who are 60 years of age and over shall

be exempt from dues, provided they have paid dues in said Lodge for at least fifteen years.

On September 16, 1899, for Columbia No. 14, a full set of By-Laws, excepting their section 3 of article 5, explained under the next heading.

NOT APPROVED.

A Lodge having voted funds for the hose races on the Fourth of July, and the matter having been referred to me, I informed them that the sports of a celebration have nothing in common with the objects of Masonry and that all Lodge funds are sacred for Masonic purposes.

A request for special dispensation to confer the three degrees in one evening was denied.

On August 2, 1899, for Garfield No. 50, I declined to approve section 2, article 5, of their By-Laws which read: "No dues shall be collected from a brother for the unexpired part of a year in which he shall have been made a Mason." If dues are to be collected at all, let them be collected from the time a brother receives his third degree.

On August 2, 1899, for Vulcan No. 103, I declined to approve an amendment to their By-Laws giving a rejected petitioner for the degrees the right to again petition the following month. It is well enough that brethren applying for advancement or affiliation shall have this right, but to extend the same privilege to the profane would be unwise.

On September 16, 1899, for Columbia No. 14, I declined to approve their section 3 of article 5, providing that the Treasurer shall receive \$25 per annum for his services, to be audited and paid in like manner as that of the Secretary. Many officers in the Lodge do more work than the Treasurer, and do it willingly without compensation. Working for hire ought to be kept at a minimum in our Lodges.

DECISIONS.

1. Laying a corner stone is not proper Masonic work for the Sabbath day. No Lodge should be convened on Sunday except for the purpose of attending Divine service or of conducting a Masonic funeral.

2. When a Lodge confers one or more degrees at the request and on behalf of another Lodge, it is not entitled as a matter of right to demand any part of the fees.

3. A petitioner who has one leg not to exceed one and a half inches shorter than the other is eligible to be made a Mason.

4. Limits, to be legal, must be under the seal of the Lodge issuing them.

5. All examinations must be held at regular communications, that being the intent of the words "open Lodge" in By-Law No. 75.

6. Receiving a petition for initiation and reading it in open Lodge is acting upon it within the meaning of By-Law No. 55. This is prohibited until the petitioner shall have resided within the jurisdiction of the Lodge at least twelve months.

7. Smoking during Lodge session is not contrary to any written law, but it violates the spirit and teachings of Masonry, as well as all the rules of etiquette and propriety, and no Master ought to permit it.

8. A suspended brother, whether for non-payment of dues or any other cause, is not entitled to Masonic burial, as a matter of right. This matter is similar to the provision made by Decision No. 35, and the same course should be pursued as there recommended.

9. Every Lodge must vote on its own candidates. Lodge B may, on request of Lodge A, post a brother on any degree, examine him at a regular communication and spread the ballot on his proficiency; then Lodge A, after receiving the report of Lodge B, will, if the report be favorable, spread the ballot as usual on the brother's petition for advancement. If he is elected, Lodge A may then request Lodge B to confer for it the next degree.

10. It is improper to discuss in open Lodge the qualifications of a petitioner. Enough may be stated so that all the brethren may know who the petitioner is, but all other information should be given to the committee and come in with their report. If necessary let the petition be again referred and the committee given further time.

11. A petitioner who has paid his fee, been elected to receive the first degree, moved from the state and four years later returned to the jurisdiction of the same Lodge, has forfeited his money and all rights under his election. The Lodge may, however, immediately receive from him a new petition, and if he is again elected the Lodge may, by vote, restore to his credit the money forfeited.

12. A brother having visited a Lodge, petitioned for affiliation and then moved from the state before he could make a second visit, I held that By-Law No. 56 is mandatory because the withdrawal of petitions would be a dangerous practice; but that

By-Law No. 80 is advisory, the visitations being required so that all the members may have a chance to meet personally the petitioner. I therefore authorized the Lodge to waive the second visitation and vote on the petition.

13. A Lodge ought not to pay the nurse, doctor and drug bills of a brother able to meet his own obligations. Masonry is not a benefit organization. We are banded together to help the needy, not for each to claim every possible benefit for himself.

14. Lodges do not appear in civic parades, nor on any public occasion such as the laying of a corner stone or conducting a funeral, unless a Masonic Lodge has charge of the ceremonies.

15. An offer to waive jurisdiction, provided the usual fees are paid to the Lodge offering to grant the waiver, is unmasonic. Waivers should always be granted in the interest of Masonry, and not for a mercenary consideration.

16. All cases where names have been dropped from the roll or members suspended without trial for non-payment of dues since October 5, 1886, are illegal and of no effect. In every such case the name should be restored, dues charged for the entire period and the Lodge itself pay the back Grand Lodge dues. If the brother then refuses to pay his dues, let charges be preferred and a legal trial had.

17. Every communication of a Lodge U. D. is a communication at which any business may be transacted which does not conflict with the laws, edicts and decisions of the Grand Lodge.

18. The inspection of the ballot box by the Senior and Junior Wardens prior to the casting of the ballot is very desirable, but not essential to the validity of the ballot.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Upon the death of our Past Grand officers much difficulty has been experienced in obtaining the proper data for writing a suitable memorial. It has been my intention to prepare and send to all permanent members of this Grand Lodge, and to all the present Grand Lodge officers, a list of questions concerning their private, public and Masonic life, the answers to which would furnish the proper data for such memorials, but press of work has prevented my doing it. Permit me to recommend that the Grand Secretary, or a committee, be instructed to prepare such a list of questions and send them to the parties above named, with instructions to report the results attained to the next session of the Grand Lodge.

On page 66 of the Proceedings of 1894 is found an order or edict of this Grand Lodge concerning the blanks and blank books to be used by Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge has never done its part in preparing and furnishing these blanks. Permit me to recommend either that the Grand Lodge keep faith with the Subordinate Lodges by furnishing the necessary blanks or that we repeal the order.

On page 58 of the Proceedings of 1893, and on page 74 of the Proceedings of 1894, will be found the action of this Grand Lodge concerning the adoption of a Book on Ceremonials. Permit me to recommend either that the Book on Ceremonials be printed or that we reconsider its adoption and then adopt some book that is printed and accessible to the Craft.

There are places where two Lodges with concurrent jurisdiction ought to be united into one Lodge. Permit me to recommend that the Grand Lodge prescribe form and method by which such unions, when necessary, can be made.

Some Lodges are having trouble with certain members engaged one way or another in the liquor business. By-Law No. 125, which says, "All Masons are fraternally advised to refrain from engaging in the liquor traffic," was adopted October 6, 1886. It seems to me that *advice* has now been given long enough. Permit me, therefore, to recommend that said By-Law now be made mandatory, and that all Masons be prohibited from engaging in the liquor traffic.

The clerical duties of the Grand Master are heavy, by far too heavy, and encroach too much on the duties of other Grand Lodge officers. Permit me therefore to recommend that By-Law No. 35 be amended by striking out the requirement to report to the Grand Master, and that in lieu thereof section No. 22 of our Constitution be so amended as to make it the duty of the Grand Secretary to furnish the Grand Master with a complete list of all Masters, Wardens and Secretaries in the jurisdiction not later than the first of February following the annual installations.

For the reason above assigned permit me to recommend that By-Law No. 134 be amended by substituting the Grand Secretary for the Grand Master, and that in lieu of this change section No. 22 of the Constitution be so amended as to make it the duty of the Grand Secretary to report to the Grand Master not later than the first of April of each year the names of all Lodges that have failed to comply with said By-Law.

Decision No. 212 is not explicit. No report is required if there is work, but six reports a year are required if there is no work. These may be sent at the option of the Lodge either to the Grand

Master or the Grand Lecturer. The decision does not state whether the lectures required are those used in the work or those used in examining visitors. Permit me to recommend it be specifically stated what lectures are required, that the mention of the Grand Master be stricken out, leaving all reports to be made to the Grand Lecturer, and that but two reports a year be required, these to be sent on the first days of February and August, showing in detail the degrees conferred and the lectures given since the last report. Then so amend section No. 25 of the Constitution as to make it the duty of the Grand Lecturer to report to the Grand Master not later than the first days of March and September the names of all Lodges failing to comply with said decision.

The changes suggested in the last three recommendations will, if made, relieve the Grand Master of much detail work, and at the same time furnish him with the information intended by the law as it now stands.

Inasmuch as the incoming Grand Master has been assigned a place of high honor in the approaching Washington Memorial exercises, and the Craft throughout the world will be anxious to know how good-looking he is, I recommend that a full-page half-tone or other suitable cut that will show him off to good advantage, be printed as the frontispiece to our Proceedings of this year, and that hereafter such suitable cuts be published of all our incoming Grand Masters, together with one or more Past Grand Masters.

RECAPITULATION.

In the discharge of my Masonic duties during the year I have constituted one Lodge, received one surrendered charter, authorized one Lodge to contract debt, laid one corner stone in person and one by proxy, dedicated one temple, issued two duplicate charters, settled many difficulties of which two were important enough to report, issued three dispensations for new Lodges, gave three permissions to attend Divine service, nominated two Grand Representatives and appointed three, gave nine permissions to change quarters, issued nine dispensations waiving laws, examined and approved By-Laws or amendments for twelve Lodges, disapproved By-Laws and amendments for three, rendered eighteen decisions, made twenty-two visitations, wrote six hundred and twenty letters, and traveled no less than forty-three hundred miles. This has taken all of a third, perhaps more, of my time.

CONCLUSION.

My task is ended; my year of servitude has closed. "He that would be chief among you, let him be the servant of all."

Permit me to return my heartfelt thanks for the high honor you have bestowed. Never before have I enjoyed an honor so distinguished, and never again do I expect to occupy a position so exalted. As God has given me strength, I have given you service, for however poor it may have been, I have given to the Craft the past year the best service I possibly could.

Permit me to acknowledge the kindness of those who have given me much assistance. Every Grand Lodge officer has been found ready and willing to respond to any call, and our Right Worshipful Grand Secretary has never tired of giving information and help, while our various committees have given me much most valuable advice. Had it not been for the counsel and advice of these and other kind brethren, I fear that the Grand Master's work this year would have been far from satisfactory to you or to himself.

May justice and equity ever guide and control all the actions of our Fraternity; may the richest and choicest blessings of our Supreme Grand Master rest upon and abide with every member of the Craft Universal; may the God of our fathers guide and direct us in all our thoughts, words and actions, now, henceforth and forever. Amen.

Very fraternally yours,

HORACE T. DE LONG,
Grand Master.

ADDRESS REFERRED.

On motion of P. G. Master Maxwell (51), the address was referred to a special committee of three for division and reference.

WM. T. BRIDWELL (15).

GEO. W. ROE (95).

WM. T. MARCH (56).

were appointed said committee.

APPEALS.

The Grand Secretary presented the papers in several appeal cases filed in his office, and they were referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

TO EXAMINE VISITING BRETHREN.

WM. I. HAMMOND (55).
JAMES T. CARNAHAN (79).
J. B. HISKEY (14).

ON NECROLOGY.

L. N. GREENLEAF (5).
A. ARMSTRONG (19).
R. A. CRUIKSHANK (35).

TO FILL VACANCIES.

J. C. SANFORD (46), on Appeals and Grievances, and
G. K. KIMBALL (1), on the case vs. Lodge No. 92.

ON RETURNS AND WORK.

C. E. REED (7).
J. R. STRUGNELL (95).

ON CORRESPONDENCE.

O. W. COLE (49).

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 2:15 o'clock.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Tuesday, September 19, 1899, 2:15 o'clock p. m.
Grand Lodge resumed labor.
Grand Master DeLong in the East.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

The following was read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO, IN ACCOUNT WITH D. A. BARTON, GRAND TREASURER.

Sept. 12, 1898.	By balance on hand as per report 1898 (page 51)..	\$ 8,515.31
Nov. 10, 1898.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	280.95
Jan. 26, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	263.97
Feb. 28, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	122.65
July 13, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	430.00
Sept. 1, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	2,067.60
Sept. 11, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	4,000.00
Sept. 15, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	700.00
Sept. 18, 1899.	Received from Grand Secretary.....	558.75
Oct. 18, 1898.	Gower interest	25.00
March 3, 1899.	Gower interest	30.00
May 27, 1899.	Gower interest	25.00
Aug. 23, 1899.	Gower interest	23.00

\$17,042.23

PAID WARRANTS AS FOLLOWS:

Nos. 830 and 849 to 833 inclusive (except Nos. 835 and 882).....	\$6 532.36
Sept. 17, 1899. To balance.....	10,509.87

\$17,042.23

Sept. 17, 1899. Balance on hand.....	10,509.87
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For which find check and vouchers for disbursements. Fraternal submitted,

LIBRARY FUND.

Sept. 12, 1898.	By balance on hand as per report 1898 (page 52)..	\$ 1,296.50
Sept. 17, 1899.	Balance on hand.....	1,296.50
	for which find check.	

RECAPITULATION.

Sept. 17, 1899.	Balance on hand General fund	10,509.87
Sept. 17, 1899.	Balance on hand Library fund	1,296.50
	Total on hand.....	\$11,806.37

Additional assets in Treasurer's hands—one note secured by trust deed, signed by John H. Gower, bearing interest at 8 per cent for \$2,500.00. Fraternally submitted,

D. A. BARTON, Grand Treasurer.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

I submit the following as my thirty-third annual report:

September 22, 1898, a charter was issued to Tejon Lodge No. 104, at Colorado Springs.

Fremont Lodge No. 97, made returns and paid dues for last year, October 25th, 1898.

DELINQUENTS.

No list of officers was received from Fremont Lodge No. 97, as required by By-Law 35.

Collins No. 19, Boulder No. 45, Georgetown No. 48, Loveland No. 53, Mesa No. 55, Telluride No. 56, Crested Butte No. 58, Harmony No. 61, Montrose No. 63, Euclid No. 64, Oasis No. 67, Wray No. 71, Granada No. 72, Burlington No. 77, Brighton No. 78, Amethyst No. 94, did not make returns and pay dues within the time required by By-Law 36.

Mancos No. 100, made returns, but did not pay dues until this morning.

Lamar No. 90, made returns and paid dues September 5, the returns contained so many errors that I returned them for correction, and they have not been returned to me.

ERRORS NOTED IN RETURNS.

The Secretaries of a majority of the Lodges are very careless in the spelling, and the initials of names of members. The returns show many variations from names heretofore given.

Mount Moriah No. 15, and Monte Vista No. 73, do not give date of stated meetings.

Berthoud No. 83 is not signed by the W. M.

Logan No. 70 is not signed by the Secretary.

Durango No. 46, and Euclid No. 64, have no seal attached.

Columbia No. 14, does not give ages of any member; all the other Lodges give ages of at least some of their members.

Crystal Lake No. 34 reports one suspended, date omitted. Wrote September 1; no answer. They did not give the notice required by By-Law 109.

Montrose No. 63 reports one reinstated and dimitted on the same date. Wrote September 13; no answer.

Brighton No. 78 made returns and paid dues yesterday. Report one as a member who was reported as an E. A. last year; nothing to show when he received the other degrees. They also pay \$29.00 on members who they say were erroneously suspended in former years, but do not give the names or dates of suspension.

Trinidad No. 89, recapitulation calls for 101 members, but they only give 100 names. Do not account for M. J. Richards. Wrote September 5; no answer.

Amethyst No. 94 does not give date of stated meetings. Report J. P. Morton as dimitted. I do not find that they ever had such a member. Do not account for Charles Duncan. Wrote September 9; no answer.

I have corrected many errors, and tried to have the others corrected, but the Secretaries did not respond.

El Paso No. 13 has not paid the amount reported by the Finance Committee (see page 92, 1898 Proceedings) as due from that Lodge, and the Secretary pays no attention to my letters.

PITKIN LODGE NO. 40.

This Lodge has surrendered its charter. The charter was returned to me by the Grand Master, and the books were received from the late Master March 14, 1899. All of its members, except one, have paid their dues and received Grand Lodge Certificates. (That one paid September 20th—Grand Secretary.)

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

Tyrian Lodge U. D., at Del Norte, has returned its dispensation and records, paid dues on five raised, and presents a petition for charter signed by forty-six and asks to be chartered as Del Norte Lodge, that being the name of the Lodge at that place, whose charter was revoked in 1897.

Egeria Lodge U. D., at Yampa, has returned its dispensation and records, paid dues on thirteen raised, and presents a petition for charter signed by twenty-three.

Audubon Lodge U. D., at Ward, has returned its dispensation and records, paid dues on three raised, presents a petition for charter signed by seventeen, and asks to be chartered as Mount Audubon Lodge.

None of the papers of Goldfield Lodge U. D., at Goldfield, or Abdallah Lodge U. D., at Eaton, have been returned to me.

BOUND VOLUMES RECEIVED FOR OUR LIBRARY.

Proceedings for 1898, from Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio, Texas and West Virginia.

Proceedings for 1899—Iowa, New Jersey, New York, Tennessee and Vermont.

Laws of Kansas, New Jersey and Utah.

Trestle Board of Rhode Island.

Text Book of Virginia, from those Grand Lodges.

"Jewels of Masonic Oratory," from S. L. Myler & Co., Akron, Ohio.

Proceedings of Supreme Council, A. A. S. Rite, N. M. Jurisdiction from that body.

Proceedings of Grand Chapter R. A. Masons of Ohio, from G. R. A. Chapter of Colorado.

Templar Masonry in Texas, 1855-1896.

Centennial of Wadhington Commandery No. 1, K. T., of Hartford, Conn., 1796-1896, from Grand Commandery K. T. of Colorado.

MASONIC PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE FOR OUR PROCEEDINGS.

American Tyler, Detroit, Michigan.

Freemason and Fez, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Kansas Freemason, Wichita, Kansas.

Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Masonic Chronicle, Columbus, Ohio.

Masonic Constellation, St. Louis, Missouri.

Masonic Home Journal, Louisville, Kentucky.

Masonic Journal, Portland, Maine.

Masonic Token, Portland, Maine.

Orient and Sheaf, Kansas City, Missouri.

Orient, Budapest, Hungary.

Quarterly Bulletin of Iowa Masonic Library, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Texas Freemason, San Antonio, Texas.

The Pacific Mason, Seattle, Washington.

Square and Compass, Denver, Colorado.

The Square and Compass, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Trestle Board, San Francisco, California.

Voice and Review, Cincinnati, Ohio.

And odd numbers of others.

DUES FROM LODGES FOR 1899.

LODGE	No.	WHEN PAID	Members	Exempt	Amount
Golden City.....	1	Sept. 5, 1899	70	17	\$ 53 00
Nevada.....	4	Sept. 6, 1899	47	9	38 00
Denver.....	5	Sept. 5, 1899	534	94	440 00
Central.....	6	Sept. 4, 1899	72	14	58 00
Union.....	7	Sept. 5, 1899	505	94	411 00
Black Hawk.....	11	Sept. 7, 1899	54	8	46 00
Washington.....	12	Sept. 4, 1899	57	9	48 00
El Paso.....	13	Sept. 7, 1899	299	47	252 00
Columbia.....	14	Aug. 28, 1899	210	29	181 00
Mount Moriah.....	15	Aug. 29, 1899	168	29	134 00
Pueblo.....	17	Sept. 6, 1899	150	16	134 00
Collins.....	19	Sept. 11, 1899	173	23	150 00
Occidental.....	20	Aug. 28, 1899	131	30	101 00
Weston.....	22	Aug. 21, 1899	38	10	28 00
St. Vrain.....	23	Sept. 6, 1899	129	24	105 00
Doric.....	25	Sept. 7, 1899	55	10	45 00
Idaho Springs.....	26	Sept. 4, 1899	74	4	70 00
Huerfano.....	27	Sept. 1, 1899	62	8	54 00
Las Animas.....	28	Sept. 4, 1899	133	19	114 00
King Solomon.....	30	Sept. 8, 1899	48	4	44 00
South Pueblo.....	31	Sept. 7, 1899	133	15	168 00
Olive Branch.....	32	Sept. 8, 1899	52	8	44 00
San Juan.....	33	Aug. 30, 1899	91	5	86 00
Crystal Lake.....	34	Sept. 1, 1899	37	2	35 00
Ionic.....	35	Sept. 6, 1899	138	15	123 00
Rosita.....	36	Sept. 2, 1899	14	1	13 00
Ouray.....	37	Sept. 2, 1899	105	8	97 00
Silver Cliff.....	38	Sept. 7, 1899	27	4	23 00
Gunnison.....	39	Sept. 6, 1899	71	8	68 00
Schiller.....	41	Aug. 29, 1899	56	7	49 00
Corinthian.....	42	Aug. 23, 1899	33	2	31 00
Eagle.....	43	Aug. 31, 1899	27	3	24 00
Alamosa.....	44	Aug. 24, 1899	52	7	45 00
Boulder.....	45	Sept. 16, 1899	90	5	85 00
Durango.....	46	Sept. 7, 1899	139	12	127 00
Breckenridge.....	47	Aug. 28, 1899	41	5	36 00
Georgetown.....	48	Sept. 18, 1899	34	7	27 00
Mt. Princeton.....	49	Aug. 31, 1899	66	11	55 00
Garfield.....	50	Sept. 6, 1899	43	4	39 00
Leadville.....	51	Sept. 7, 1899	106	8	98 00
Loveland.....	53	Sept. 16, 1899	73	7	66 00
Sterling.....	54	Sept. 7, 1899	31	6	25 00
Mesa.....	55	Sept. 18, 1899	133	7	126 00
Telluride.....	56	Sept. 11, 1899	112	1	111 00
Salida.....	57	Sept. 6, 1899	91	8	88 00
Crested Butte.....	58	Sept. 14, 1899	49	1	48 00
La Veta.....	59	Sept. 6, 1899	27	4	23 00
Spar.....	60	Sept. 4, 1899	103	2	101 00
Harmony.....	61	Sept. 6, 1899	150	10	137 00
Delta.....	62	Aug. 31, 1899	41	5	36 00
Montrose.....	63	Sept. 13, 1899	55	6	49 00
Euclid.....	64	Sept. 14, 1899	85	7	78 00
Glenwood.....	65	Sept. 7, 1899	90	7	83 00
Eureka.....	66	Sept. 4, 1899	59	-----	59 00
Oasis.....	67	Sept. 9, 1899	49	1	48 00
Manitou.....	68	Sept. 2, 1899	44	2	42 00
Windsor.....	69	Sept. 6, 1899	52	4	48 00
Logan.....	70	Sept. 8, 1899	20	1	19 00
Wray.....	71	Sept. 9, 1899	36	9	27 00
Granada.....	72	Sept. 9, 1899	12	-----	12 00
Monte Vista.....	73	Aug. 24, 1899	53	7	46 00
Akron.....	74	Aug. 31, 1899	42	4	38 00
St. John's.....	75	Aug. 23, 1899	67	10	57 00
Colorado City.....	76	Sept. 6, 1899	78	9	69 00
Burlington.....	77	Sept. 13, 1899	20	-----	20 00

LODGE	No.	WHEN PAID	Members	Exempt	Amount
Brighton.....	78	Sept. 18, 1899	52	5	47 00
Rico.....	79	Sept. 4, 1899	63	6	57 00
Rio Blanco.....	80	Aug. 29, 1899	29	2	27 00
Holyoke.....	81	Sept. 4, 1899	34	2	32 00
Carbondale.....	82	Sept. 2, 1899	39	2	37 00
Berthoud.....	83	Aug. 29, 1899	45	5	40 00
Temple.....	84	Sept. 1, 1899	174	10	164 00
Highlands.....	86	Aug. 26, 1899	125	10	115 00
Oriental.....	87	Aug. 31, 1899	187	5	182 00
Yampa.....	88	Aug. 25, 1899	35	1	34 00
Trinidad.....	89	Sept. 5, 1899	101	---	101 00
Lamar.....	90	Sept. 5, 1899	59	2	57 00
Lafayette.....	91	Aug. 30, 1899	35	2	33 00
Rob Morris.....	92	Aug. 30, 1899	105	3	102 00
South Denver.....	93	Sept. 2, 1899	76	9	67 00
Amethyst.....	94	Sept. 9, 1899	59	3	56 00
Silver State.....	95	Sept. 4, 1899	106	2	104 00
Mount Pisgah.....	96	Sept. 4, 1899	147	6	141 00
Fremont.....	97	Sept. 4, 1899	83	3	80 00
Hiram.....	98	Aug. 25, 1899	81	6	75 00
Victor.....	99	Sept. 12, 1899	135	2	133 00
Mancos.....	100	Sept. 19, 1899	24	2	22 00
Plateau.....	101	July 25, 1899	34	1	33 00
Mount Lamborn.....	102	Sept. 11, 1899	17	3	14 00
Vulcan.....	103	Sept. 6, 1899	28	3	25 00
Tejon.....	104	Aug. 29, 1899	43	1	42 00
Tyrian.....	U. D.	Sept. 18, 1899	-----	-----	5 00
Egeria.....	U. D.	Sept. 15, 1899	-----	-----	13 00
Andubon.....	U. D.	Sept. 9, 1899	-----	-----	3 00

TOTAL RECEIPTS.

Balance, page 57, 1898 proceedings.....	\$ 129.00
Charter fee No. 101.....	20.00
Dispensation fees.....	120.00
Dues for 1897, Amethyst No. 94.....	1.00
Dues for 1898, Amethyst No. 94.....	1.00
Dues for 1898, St. Vrain No. 23.....	1.00
Dues for 1898, Burlington No. 77.....	1.00
Dues for 1898, Berthoud No. 83.....	1.00
Dues for 1898, Fremont No. 97.....	66.00
Dues previous years, Brighton No. 78.....	29.00
Dues from members, Del Norte No. 29.....	28.15
Dues from members, Pitkin No. 40.....	26.45
Dues from members, Acacia No. 85.....	5.20
From Del Norte property.....	388.90
From Alamosa property.....	609.65
From burial service sold.....	5.00
From proceedings sold.....	1.00
From error in printing bill.....	16.57
From Washington Memorial subscriptions.....	28.00
From dues for 1899.....	7,071.00
Total.....	\$3,548.92
Paid Grand Treasurer.....	\$3,418.92
Balance on hand.....	130.00
Total.....	\$3,548.92

WARRANTS DRAWN.

L. N. Greenleaf, correspondent.....	No. 850	\$ 200.00
T. Linton, services.....	No. 1	25.00
G. W. Emery, services.....	No. 2	15.00
P. C. Johnson, services.....	No. 3	10.00
H. Zaiss, services.....	No. 4	6.00
Grand Treasurer, pay roli.....	No. 6	1,607.45
Grand Secretary, incidentals '88-'99.....	No. 7	200.00
Grand Secretary, incidentals balance '97-'98.....	No. 8	37.45
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	No. 9	87.50
Chapman & Maitland, fees on bonds.....	No. 860	100.00
Grand Secretary, jewel.....	No. 1	65.00
P. B. Gaylord, insurance.....	No. 2	28.00
Grand Secretary, salary.....	No. 3	300.00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	No. 4	87.50
W. F. Robinson Printing Co., printing proceedings.....	No. 5	904.95
C. O. Heath, on Alamosa note.....	No. 6	1,000.00
Grand Secretary, Washington Memorial.....	No. 7	75.00
James Davis, Del Norte interest.....	No. 8	12.00
Conejos county, taxes Chivington land.....	No. 9	157.60
Del Norte county, taxes.....	No. 870	148.18
Conejos county, taxes on Chivington land.....	No. 1	65.91
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	No. 2	69.20
Grand Secretary, salary.....	No. 3	300.00
A. G. Hasselkus, Del Norte interest.....	No. 4	2.80
J. H. Baxter, overpaid dues No. 29.....	No. 5	4.00
Grand Secretary, salary.....	No. 6	300.00
C. O. Heath, Alamosa interest.....	No. 7	62.50
S. Weinberger, Del Norte interest.....	No. 8	3.75
S. D. Carlton, agent, Alamosa taxes.....	No. 9	229.30
J. H. Baxter, Del Norte interest.....	No. 880	20.00
Grand Secretary, salary.....	No. 1	300.00
J. G. Huntington, Del Norte interest.....	No. 2	1.00
Bohm-Bristol Co., jewel.....	No. 3	100.00
F. G. Mirick, Grand Lecturer.....	No. 4	60.25
Total		\$6,546.34

DEL NORTE PROPERTY.

Total receipts by agent.....	\$ 619.50
Expenses paid by agent.....	230.60
Cash received from agent.....	\$ 388.90
Received dues of members No. 29.....	28.15
Total	\$ 417.05
Grand Lodge warrants drawn for taxes.....	\$ 148.18
Grand Lodge warrants drawn for interest.....	40.55
Grand Lodge warrants drawn for overpaid dues.....	4.00
Total	\$ 192.73
Net receipts	224.32

ALAMOSA PROPERTY.

Total receipts by agent.....	\$ 887.40
Expenses paid by agent.....	277.75
Cash received from agent.....	\$ 609.65
Grand Lodge warrant drawn for taxes.....	\$ 229.30
Grand Lodge warrant drawn for interest.....	306.70
Paid on principal of note.....	1,000.00
Total	\$1,536.00
Excess of payments over receipts.....	926.35

TIN CUP PROPERTY.

Taxes paid	\$ 3.17
No receipts.	

CONTINGENT FUND.

There was appropriated for this fund, \$200.00. I have expended \$339.74. A detailed account will be found on pages 183 and 184 of the Ledger.

RAILROADS.

The railroads have granted us a one and one-fifth rate for delegates and ladies accompanying.

LIBRARY FUND.

September 18, 1899, received from Grand Master, \$45.00; balance on hand, \$45.00. Fraternally submitted,

ED. C. PARMELEE, Grand Secretary.

H. P. H. BROMWELL.

Bro. Henry P. H. Bromwell (5), P. G. Master of Illinois, was introduced and addressed the Grand Lodge in his usual instructive and eloquent manner.

ADNA ADAMS TREAT.

On motion of Bro. Burnand (51), a committee was appointed to visit W. Bro. Adna Adams Treat, who is now in his one hundred and third year, and to extend the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge on his long and useful life.

Bros. Greenleaf (5), Wright (84), and Cooper (5) were appointed.

The committee afterwards reported, verbally, that they had called on our venerable brother and performed the duty assigned them; that Bro. Treat seemed much pleased at the brotherly remembrance, and sent his blessing to the Grand Lodge and all the members thereof, and regretted that the infirmities of age prevented his returning his thanks in person.

PETITIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT.

Petitions for reinstatement from James Coakley and Walter C. Wescott were presented and referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

ORATION.

The Grand Master introduced Bro. James R. Killian (27), Grand Orator, who spoke as follows:

THE POTENCY OF MASONIC IDEALS IN THE EXALTATION OF CHARACTER.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

It is true, yet mysterious, that a direct and intimate relation exists between the world that moves and has its being in space and the world that lives and has its being in consciousness. In this world of consciousness man meets himself face to face, a hush of silence comes over his soul, there he fixes his aims, he forms his conceptions, he chooses his Ideals.

The word "Ideal" has been defined in this way: "A conception proposed by the mind for imitation, realization or attainment." Perhaps we may arrive at a clearer and fuller understanding of what the Ideal really is by drawing some lines of distinction between the space world and the conscious world, and to observe that these two worlds in common are filled with realities.

There is a realm of moving, sounding, many-formed and many-colored things spread out in space, saluting and besieging our senses, in which we pass to and fro, working many changes

at our will; and there is a realm that inhabits personal consciousness in which we verily are, in which pain and pleasure, joy and sorrow, hope and dread, resolve and wavering, understanding, doubt, belief, willing, hating, and loving come and go in infinite variety, intensity and multitude.

Everything that belongs to the space world is to the right or left, in front or behind, above or below every other thing; everything is so broad, so long, so thick; but the habitants of the conscious world—our thoughts, feelings, wishes, purposes, lovings—have no such relations to one another, and neither millimetres nor miles can be applied to them.

The two realms seem reciprocally exclusive, and we may feel tempted to say that in this distinction, the distinction between the Real and the Ideal is found—that these palpable, graspable space things are real, that these impalpable, conscious things that come and go, yet do not move, are Ideal. But if we so said we should be mistaken. A few examples will demonstrate the error of such a conclusion to us all, and prove to us that those things which dwell in consciousness are at least equally real with that which dwells in space.

When a weary, worn traveler stops at a full flowing fountain and slakes his thirst, is not the felt satisfaction equally real with the cool water? If one listens to sweet music from a violin touched by a master hand, is the surge of conscious emotions less real, less a component of actual existence than the motions of the bow across the quivering strings than the throbbing of the sound waves that break upon the charmed ear?

When Copernicus wrote his book to make known to men, that despite the obstinate assertion of the senses, the great earth rushes with enormous speed about the sun, I ask, was the thought of that great Prussian less real, less fully existent than the paper upon which he wrote?

Which has pre-eminence in reality, the love of a husband to his wife, or the golden circlet with which he wedded her? The love of a mother for her first born or the garments in which she clothes the little one? Verily the things of the conscious world are equally real with the things of space.

The whole occupation of every man's life, whether he is aware of it or not, is, as a matter of fact, made up of direct or indirect attempts at shaping the course of things of consciousness. All the stupendous changes in the things of space that he may bring to pass are but means for reaching ends that lie in the other realm. There, too, are to be found the springs of all practical action.

The aim and end of the pure scientist is to understand and to help others in like understanding. The aim and end of the artist is to diffuse through men's consciousness a subtle all permeating atmosphere of chosen emotions or emotional thoughts, and it is self-evident that the understanding and joy of art are wholly of the conscious realm. In a word, the beginning and end of all human action lie there, and though the interval between the beginning and the end may emerge for a segment of its circuit into the space world, it inevitably returns to the world whence it came.

The Ideals or aims of every true Mason are to live a just and upright life; to square his actions by the square of virtue; to circumscribe his desires and keep his passions within due bounds; to adorn his life with the graces of prudence, temperance, fortitude and justice. To exercise charity in its broadest and fullest meaning; to uphold and promote truth; to respond generously at all times to the noble promptings of brotherly love; to render, whenever and wherever he may Masonic relief. In a word, to fulfill the highest duties that he owes to himself, to his fellow-man, to his home, to his country, to his God!

What noble purposes are these! How pure and uplifted the life guided by such Ideals! How exalted and enriched is the character conformed to these ends! Not only by word, but by sign and symbol, by art and allegory are these high conceptions of life and duty sought to be indelibly impressed upon the mind, and engraven upon the heart of every Mason.

Observe the Mason who accepts the teachings and holds fast the tenets of our order; who takes the Book of the Law as the rule and guide of his faith; who opens his heart to the reception of the truth therein, that it may be purified and enriched thereby, whose mind is illumined by the ever glorious light shed therefrom, and you will see a living example of character ennobled and exalted by Masonic Ideals. Such an example can but prompt the exclamation: "What a piece of work is man! How noble in reason! How infinite in faculty! In form and in moving how express and admirable! In action how like an angel! In apprehension how like a God!"

But man's Ideals may be base and degrading, as well as pure and elevating. A poet has said:

"Singing some created, wailing
Some, and some to evil wed,
Some with noble memories fraught with
Deed well done and word well said.

Some with star-kissed aspiration,
Some with faces prone to earth;
Some for honor, some for shame, we
Bide immutable from birth.

We the spirits of thine hours salute thee;
Governed by the angel of thy soul,
Ever o'er thee are choral voices,
Number growing till the tale is whole."

So it lies not in the nature of Ideals to be the one or the other. Out of hovels they have brought kings, out of mill-boys they have made statesmen; princes have they turned into profligates; imperial intellects have they thrown into quagmires. But I believe that the history of our race proves that man has in the main chosen the purer and nobler Ideals, and thus by their power has been constantly gravitating toward a higher and nobler plane of thought, action and being. Of the Ideal, Theodore Parker says: "This Ideal may be high and complete, or it may be low and quite insufficient, yet in all that really seek to improve; it is better than the actual character. Perhaps no one is so satisfied with himself that he never wishes to be wiser, better and more holy.

Man never falls so low that he can see nothing higher than himself. This Ideal man which we project, as it were, out of ourselves, and seek to make real—this wisdom, goodness and holiness, which we aim to transfer from our thoughts to our life—has an action more or less powerful on each man, rendering him dissatisfied with present attainments, and restless unless he is becoming better."

A true Mason who prizes and cherishes Masonic Ideals is ever looking away to something beyond himself, and is found in close and earnest pursuit of it. When a man has had a great conception he can never be the same man again, he must be something more or less than he was. If he is the man that he ought to be, he will ever afterwards be lifting his thoughts away to the perfect forms of things. In the distance will shine, like a star, a world toward which all lines of development run—a world of perfect flower and fruit toward which he unceasingly presses. It is his constant effort to raise fact and action to a higher reality of which he conceives, and then change these conceptions into acts.

A Masonic student can not fail to become interested, to know fully of the origin and history of our institution, and the

pursuit of such lines of thought and study is well worthy of our time and attention.

But whether Freemasonry originated with the ancient Egyptians, whether with the great, wise and favored King of Israel; whether with the Greeks or in the still later centuries, as claimed by some authorities, this we know: That it is at present a great, world-wide institution, dispersed throughout all civilized nations, embracing in its ranks many of those who are among the great and good of all the earth; that it is a living, prosperous and growing institution, loyally supported and generously sustained by its patrons and devotees; that it not only encircles the globe like a belt of light, but like the stars that deck all the heavens, its lights glow and flash in every land and clime, "from the rivers to the ends of the earth."

The question may be asked: "Wherein lies the potency of Ideals?" By the use of an illustration we may show how they operate. An artist sees many human faces—no one of them perfect, but each possessing some striking features, and from their several beauties he constructs a more perfect face which he puts upon canvas. A poet looking upon the canvas mounts away to the conception of a face that can only be suggested by the hints of musical speech, for it exists nowhere save in the halo of the imagination. Ideality takes hold in this way, not only in the work of our noble institution, but upon everything about us, and creates for us higher and better standards by which all things are measured.

What a joy to mankind is the gift of the Ideal! By reason of it men create new and brighter worlds. The roses that bloom in men's gardens are poor beside the roses that bloom in the fertile soil of the imagination. The sun never sets so splendidly and gorgeously before the eye as he does behind it. What a sparkling Heaven of things man has created by this power! Literature, art, religion. Man is like his Maker in this; he can create summer in the midst of winter; he can hew out the amethyst walls of the celestial city and breathe while on earth the very air of Heaven.

How great is his gift! Not only a joy, but a utility. It is by the influence of the Ideal that man continually progresses. The beaver is satisfied with his house; the bird is satisfied with her house, but man is never satisfied with his house. When he lived in a hut he saw something better and strove to realize it. The hut in time became a classic temple, the classic gave way to the Gothic, and the Gothic in time became supplanted by the glories of the Renaissance. The same holds good as to his dress,

even his food, until at his dining table the animalism of eating is covered up under cut glass and silver, and where music, flowers and cheerful conversation have become the triumphs of modern civilization. The foregoing illustrations are but the lower forms of the manifestation of its power.

It takes hold upon the family, the church and the state. It has given us the modern household, which, with its triple bond of father, mother and little child, is like the new Jerusalem, "Descended out of the very Heaven of God."

It has given us the modern church which is nearer the people than ever before; an asylum, yea even a haven for the sin-burdened, the weak, the weary everywhere.

By it has been evolved the principle of self-government which even in its rudiments and imperfect beginnings possessed a virtue so exalted that it could triumph over the Pharos as did the Jewish tribes; over Darius and Cyrus, as did the Greek republics, spreading through all history Ideals that have crystallized in the course of time, and have not only transmitted to us intellectual and aesthetic culture like that of the Greeks, and moral principles, like those which flowed down from lightning-clothed Sinai, but have given us the modern state, in which, for the first time in all history, the rights of man as man, even the lowliest, have come to be the object of human government.

Whatever Ideals do for the family, the church, the state, for Freemasonry, or any other institution, depends upon what they do for the individual, as sure as the light kisses the East upon the ascending of the King of Day, or his departure in the West dips the world in a stream of golden twilight.

No artist can paint without a model on canvas, or in his mind, and no man can live without an Ideal, else he lives at random, and upon the strength or weakness of his Ideal depends the strength or weakness of his life. Some men have no fixed Ideals or purposes in life. They aim at nothing; they hope, no doubt, that their lives will amount to something, and yet they are about as apt to amount to something as a man is apt to paint a picture by throwing paint brushes at a square of canvas, or to carve a perfect figure by pitching chisels at a block of marble. Whatever the character formed may be, whatever worth to the world a life may become, does but demonstrate the grade of Ideals by which it may be guided, and commemorate the necessity of choosing the true instead of the untrue; the eternal instead of the temporal; the things of light rather than the things of darkness.

Hence how essential it is to get before the mind true, wholesome, helpful Ideals. In this work is found the greatest beauty and the crowning glory of speculative Masonry. Our Masonic ritual and ceremonies, ministering to lofty sentiment and earnest faith, can but help aspiring souls to an appreciation of spiritual and eternal verities.

Here we are to-day, assembled in this magnificent temple, erected by Masons, and dedicated to the uses of the Craft, located in this splendid capitol city, the temple itself being a material embodiment and crystalization of Masonic Ideals; here we are, and as memory performs her pilgrimage through bygone years, and recounts the advancing steps of Freemasonry in our own grand jurisdiction, and in the transports of overflowing gratitude recalls the names of those who have made possible its successes, its advances, and its victories; and as imagination wings her adventurous flight and catches bright glimpses of its unfolding glories in approaching years, and the rising destiny of its ever-widening influence for the upliftment of men, our hearts thrill with joy, and each of us should resolve ever to preserve its integrity, its objects from perversion, and its principles from violation.

And, too, it is a most pleasing thought and a source of just pride to each of us to know that our Grand Jurisdiction comprises the State of Colorado, fair virgin Colorado, a land "where every prospect pleases"—a land of snow and sunshine—a land of frost and flowers—with her rolling prairies—her wide-extending plains—her smiling valleys—her waving forests—her sky-piercing peaks—her sparkling streams—her winding rivers—her gladsome hills and glens and parks and dales, and her mountains, sublime and majestic; at once making a happy combination of the beautiful and sublime—a rare blending of all that is tender and terrific in nature.

Here, in our favored land, we have every condition conducive to the highest development of man, physically, morally and intellectually, and for the attainment of the happiest manifestations of the social state. In the working out of such happy results, Freemasonry is to be esteemed as no small factor. That we may each be exponents of its high mission, let us keep our thought as pure as the silver from our mines, and our hearts as rich as the gold from our mountains, and let "every social and moral virtue cement us."

Of the many beautiful Masonic Ideals, the guiding of which strengthens, ennobles and exalts character, I shall speak only a word further of the greatest of all—the exercise of charity. Not

alone the charity that provides for the widow, that cares for the orphan, that feeds the poor, but also that charity of which the great and martyred Paul spoke—that “thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things,” and of which the writer had in mind when he wrote:

The soul serene, impenetrably just,
Is first in charity. We love to muse
On such a model, knit in strictest bond
Of amity with spirits like disposed;
Aiming at truth for her own sake, this man
Passes beyond the golden line of Faith,
Passes beyond the precious line of Hope,
And sets his foot unmoved on Charity.

Precious beyond rubies are Masonic Ideals, investing with celestial dignity the earthly avocation, lifting us into the heights of exalted manhood, leading us into the light of true fraternity and brotherhood, embodying as they do the highest, the purest, the noblest, the best; let us as individual Masons ever be guided by them, that we may walk before man and God in the conscious rectitude of our acts; avoiding vice and exalting virtue, bearing the burdens of life with manly courage, administering with loving hearts and willing hands to the wants of our fellow-man, until the dawn of a celestial morn shall break upon our souls and we are bidden by the Supreme Grand Master to dwell forever in a realm of Infinite Perfection.

On motion of Bro. Orahood (11), the oration was ordered printed with our proceedings.

REPORT ON DIVISION AND REFERENCE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom the Grand Master's address was referred for division and reference respectfully report:

That the recommendations of the Grand Master relating to deceased brethren of this and sister jurisdictions, be approved.

That the action of the Grand Master relative to the appointment of agents at Del Norte, Alamosa and Tin Cup, be approved, and all matters pertaining to said properties be referred to the Committee on Finance.

That the action of the Grand Master regarding the property of the widow of our first Grand Master be approved, and that a special committee be appointed in accordance with his recom-

mentation and make report at this communication of the Grand Lodge.

That the action of the Grand Master regarding the Washington Memorial ceremonies, and his recommendations in that behalf, be approved.

The portions relative to dispensations to Lodges U. D. be referred to the Committee on Returns and Work.

The portion relative to the appointment of representatives near other Grand Jurisdictions be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

That the recommendation of the Grand Master with reference to the loss of the brethren at Victor, by the recent fire, be approved, and their dues to the Grand Lodge for the current year be remitted.

That the decisions of the Grand Master, all dispensations granted except those to Lodges U. D., By-Laws approved, and recommendations regarding non-affiliates, and those suspended for non-payment of dues, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

That portion of the Grand Master's address relative to obtaining proper data for preparing suitable memorials upon the death of all permanent members of this Grand Lodge, be referred to a special committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand Master.

Your committee recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to prepare the necessary blanks and books of ceremonials adopted by this Grand Lodge and distributed to the Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction, in accordance with the action of this Grand Lodge at its communication in 1894.

W. T. BRIDWELL,

G. W. ROE,

WM. T. MARCH,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Burnand (51), the report was adopted.

WASHINGTON CENTENNIAL EXERCISES.

Bro. Woodbury (86) presented the following:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

In 1893 the Grand Master recommended this Grand Lodge to consider the initiation of a movement for the holding of national

Masonic memorial exercises upon the 100th anniversary of the death of Worshipful Bro. George Washington, which took place on the 14th of December, 1799.

The committee of the Grand Lodge which reported upon the recommendation of the Grand Master, said:

"The committee believes that public recognition of the services and character of the great and good has a salutary influence upon the lives of others, particularly the young, stimulating them to emulation, exalting their own efforts, and ennobling their characters. A due observance of the centennial of Washington's death would revive public interest in, and disseminate knowledge of, his virtues, and in the pioneer work of the fathers of the republic who laid the foundations of our national government. We are taught, as Masons, to be true to the government of the country under which we live; and, in a broader sense than mere loyalty, we should be true to the principles which underlie its system. These principles were instilled into the American heart by fortitude, prudence, justice, hardship, adversity, perseverance, unselfishness and toil, and the best manhood to-day comes from the same source of strength. As citizens we can not too often present this truth to those who are striving for fame and influence through paths which are less noble; and we can not present it through a grander character than that Master Mason on whom was bestowed the loving title of 'First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen.' Tens of thousands of good men have had their favorable attention directed to Masonry because it embraces principles and truths which were deemed worthy of the loyalty of George Washington, and we are proud that it was so in his day, and is so still. We believe the Grand Lodges of the United States will like to unite for the purpose of doing honor to his memory, and that the proposition thereto will be especially appropriate from the Grand Lodge of the state which was admitted to the American Union on the hundredth anniversary of the independence of the colonies which Washington did so much to secure."

The report was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge, and a committee was appointed to initiate the movement among the Grand Lodges of the United States. After three years of correspondence, taking it to 1896, so many Grand Lodges had signified their approval and co-operation that the Grand Lodge of Virginia was then formally requested by this Grand Lodge to take charge of all arrangements, which request was formally acceded to at the next meeting of that Grand Lodge. Its committee is composed of a number of the ablest men in Masonic, professional and political life in that state, and they expect not only that all the Grand Lodges of the United States will be represented at the memorial, but also a number of foreign jurisdictions. It is expected to be the most general gathering of Grand

Masters and representative Masons that the world has ever seen.

General Washington died at Mt. Vernon at twenty minutes past ten o'clock on Saturday, December 14, 1799.

A Lodge to make arrangements for the funeral was held on the 16th at Alexandria.

On the 18th the Masonic Fraternity, under escort of the military and citizens of Alexandria, proceeded to Mt. Vernon and formed the funeral procession as follows:

The troops, consisting of infantry, cavalry and artillery; clergy, three of whom were members of the Lodge; the general's horse, with saddle, holsters and pistols, led by two grooms; music; guard; the body, borne on a bier by four Virginia lieutenants; pallbearers, all officers of the revolution, and all members of Lodge No. 22, but one; the principal mourners; the corporation of Alexandria; Alexandria Lodge No. 22; Brooke Lodge No. 47 of Alexandria; Federal Lodge No. 15 of Washington.

At the grave the services of the Episcopal church were rendered by the clergy, and followed by Masonic services by Washington's own Lodge, No. 22.

Three general volleys were discharged by the infantry, cavalry and eleven pieces of artillery, which lined the banks of the Potomac back of the vault.

The order of exercises for the centennial memorial is as follows:

On the 14th of December the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, and representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions and invited guests, together with the civic and military associations, to conform as nearly as possible to the funeral ceremonies of December 18, 1799, will proceed from Alexandria to Mt. Vernon by electric cars and steamboats, leaving Alexandria at 9:30 a. m. At Mt. Vernon the Masonic bodies will form with the invited guests on the east side of the mansion and proceed to the old vault by the same path, and in the same order, in which the procession was formed and moved on the day of General Washington's funeral. At the old vault the services will be conducted as follows:

Solemn dirge by the band.

Prayer by Brother the Right Reverend A. M. Randolph of the Southern Episcopal Diocese of Virginia.

Music by an octette from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

Address by the Grand Master of Masons of Colorado.

The procession will then move to the new vault, in which the earthly remains of General Washington and his wife lie en-cased in marble sarcophagi, and to which his remains were re-

moved on April 19, 1831. The Grand Lodge will form in a circle around the vault, assisted by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and representatives of other jurisdictions in front, Lodge No. 4 on the right, and Lodge No. 22 on the left.

Masonic services at the tomb will be conducted by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, assisted by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and the representatives of the other Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Masters of the thirteen original states, or their representatives, will stand in line in front of the tomb, facing out. The Grand Masters of other states and foreign jurisdictions (or their representatives) will be formed in a half circle, facing them; the Grand Lodge and other brethren in a circle around the tomb, joining hands. After prayer by the Grand Chaplain the Grand Master of Virginia will then say:

My Brethren—One hundred years ago the Supreme Architect of the Universe removed from the terrestrial to the celestial Lodge our brother, George Washington. About his tomb we assemble to-day in our character as Masons to testify that time has not weakened our veneration for his memory, nor years brought forgetfulness of his virtues. From the East and West, from the North and South, from the isles of the Sea, Masons have come to-day to mark the first century of his departure from earth to Heaven. My brother, the Grand Master of Massachusetts, what message do you bring to us to-day?

Grand Master of Massachusetts—From the commonwealth where Lexington and Concord and Bunker Hill were fought; from the cradle of American freedom I bring greetings of veneration and respect, and a wreath of leaves from the elm under which he took command of the armies of freedom. Washington and Adams and Warren sleep, but Liberty is yet awake.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Rhode Island, have you a message for us?

Grand Master of Rhode Island—From the old plantations I bring you a greeting to the immortal memory of our greatest dead. Great men die, but great principles are eternal.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Connecticut, what is your message?

Grand Master of Connecticut—The same blood runs in the veins of those who made the oak the treasure house of their charter. The spirits of Roger Sherman and of Israel Putnam hail that of their great compatriot. Hail—never to say farewell.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Vermont, have you any message?

Grand Master of Vermont—From the commonwealth whose marble-ribbed hills lift their summits to the free air of Heaven, from the land of Ethan Allen, I bring veneration for the mighty memory of our greatest American.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of New Hampshire, we await your message.

Grand Master of New Hampshire—Of old sat freedom on the heights; her dwelling place is with us yet. The land of Stark greets these ashes as the temple in which once dwelt the Father of American Freedom.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of New York, what greeting do you give us?

Grand Master of New York—The Empire state hails the memory of him who might have been king and would not. The land of Hamilton, his counsellor; of Jay, his Chief Justice; brings to his memory love and veneration.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of New Jersey, have you a message?

Grand Master of New Jersey—Monmouth and Trenton and Princeton knew him. No commonwealth cherishes more faithfully his illustrious name.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, your message?

Grand Master of Pennsylvania—Valley Forge yet remembers his prayers and the endurance of heroes. The bell which proclaimed liberty and the birthplace of independence are our testimonials that his memory is imperishable.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Delaware, have you a message?

Grand Master of Delaware—Where is the commonwealth in whose borders he is not revered? I bring to you to-day the love and veneration of my people, as true now as in 1776.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Maryland, your greeting?

Grand Master of Maryland—From the mountains to the Chesapeake his fame dwells secure. But a river divides his birthplace and his tomb from our commonwealth. All the seas could not divide us from our love and admiration of his memory.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of North Carolina, what testimonial do you bring in?

Grand Master of North Carolina—His memory is as green to-day as the verdure of our pine trees. His fame as enduring as our everlasting hills. Cowpens and King's Mountain and Guilford. We brought him these. We bring him to-day the love of sons as faithful as their sires.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of South Carolina, what say you?

Grand Master of South Carolina—Sumter and Jasper and Marion were ours. Washington was no less ours, for he made their victories complete. I bring you this palmetto for your wreath.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Georgia, your message?

Grand Master of Georgia—Last but not least of the Thirteen! Pulaski's blood enriched our soil! Washington was ours as he was yours. Peace to these ashes and peace to the land he loved.

All of the Grand Masters—Enlighten us with Thy Light everlasting, oh! Father, and grant unto us perpetual peace.

The Craft—So mote it be. Amen.

Grand Master of Virginia—My brother, the Grand Master of Maine, what say you?

Grand Master of Maine—The granite hills shall perish before the memory of his greatness shall pass away. We yield to no commonwealth in our love for Washington.

Grand Master of Virginia—What says the South?

The Grand Masters of Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Alabama and Tennessee in Union—Pine trees and palms; broad prairies and savannahs; the mighty Father of Waters. All these knevy of his greatness; all these claim him as the father of their liberties.

Grand Master of Virginia—What says the West?

The Grand Masters from All the Western States, in Union—We, too, are children of the Father of His Country. Here we proclaim our love for his memory and thankfulness for his life.

Grand Master of Virginia—The North, the South, the East and West have spoken. But Washington belongs not to any one clime or people. What say you, my brethren of other lands? Lands foreign the cowan may call you, but in the name of Masoury I hail you as our own.

The Grand Master of England (or his representative) here makes such response as he may deem best, followed by responses from other jurisdictions outside of the United States.

The Grand Masters (or their representatives) and the Craft then repeat in alternate verse the following:

Grand Masters—Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place from one generation to another.

The Craft—Before the mountains were brought forth or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.

Grand Masters—For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past and as a watch in the night.

The Craft—For we are consumed by Thy anger and by Thy wrath are we troubled.

Grand Masters—The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy.

The Craft—He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

Grand Masters—As far as the East is from the West, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.

The Craft—As for man, his days are as grass, as the flower of the field so he flourisheth.

Grand Masters—For the wind passeth over it and it is gone, and the place thereof shall know it no more.

The Craft—For the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him and His righteousness unto children's children.

Grand Masters—The faithful are minished from the earth.

The Craft—But the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

Grand Masters—Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

The Craft—The Lord knoweth the days of the upright; and their inheritance shall be forever.

Grand Masters—Who hath raised up the righteous man from the East; called him to His foot, gave the nations before him and made him rule over Kings? Who gave them as dust to His sword and as driven stubble to His bow?

The Craft—The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Grand Masters—So teach us to number our days that we may incline our hearts unto wisdom.

The Craft—Oh satisfy us early with Thy mercy, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Grand Masters—Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants and Thy glory unto their children.

The Craft—And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea the work of our hands establish Thou it.

The Grand Master of the District of Columbia, Representing the Atlantic States—This lambskin or white leathern apron is an emblem of innocence and the time-honored badge of a Free and Accepted Mason. Kings have not disdained it; princes have been proud to wear it. Washington wore it, and its spotless form lay upon his coffin a century ago. I deposit it here in remembrance of this beloved brother—a workman who in no respect was ever unworthy of his work.

The Grand Master of Missouri, Representing the Central States—This glove is a token of friendship. I deposit it here as an evidence that death only breaks the hand clasp. The tie which binds the heart of man to the heart of man remains unbroken forever and forever.

The Grand Master of California, Representing the Western States—This evergreen is an emblem of the Masonic faith in the resurrection of the body and the immortality of the soul. I deposit it here in the confidence of a certain faith, in the reasonable religious and holy hope that this dead body encoffined here will

at the last day arise a glorious form to meet our God. To whom be glory and honor and power and majesty and might and dominion now and forevermore.

The Craft—Amen.

All of the Grand Masters—Oh death, where is thy sting?

The Craft—Oh grave, where is thy victory?

The Grand Masters then deposit their wreath or evergreen, and the Craft slowly march past the tomb, depositing the evergreen.

After benediction by the Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, the procession will return to the east front of the mansion, where the Grand Master of Masons of Virginia will introduce Bro. William McKinley, President of the United States, who will make an address to the Masons and the general public, who will then be admitted to full participation.

Hymn, "America," sung by all present, the band leading.

During the ceremonies minute guns will be fired from Fort Washington, and from a war vessel to be stationed in the Potomac opposite Mt. Vernon.

In the early part of the present year, our brethren in Virginia were somewhat discouraged over the contribution of funds to carry out the memorial exercises in a manner commensurate with national dignity; and as our Grand Lodge initiated the movement and placed the responsibility upon Virginia, they requested that we should contribute one thousand dollars so as to ensure complete success. As the brethren of Virginia number but a few thousand more than those of our own state, and as the expenses will be several times the amount requested of us, it was at once conceded that they should not be permitted to be unduly burdened by having accepted a responsibility placed upon them by us. We quote from our reply to the Virginia committee as follows:

"The committee representing the Grand Lodge of Colorado desires to assure you, as they have heretofore done, that anything deemed necessary from us will be undertaken with cheerfulness and love. Our Grand Master resides several hundred miles from Denver, and we shall immediately communicate with him and request his permission to our raising the sum requested of us. * * * We anticipate his willing consent, and have no doubt of our ability to comply with your request."

Your Grand Master entered most heartily into the task which was placed upon us, and gave us much needed encouragement from time to time. We also consulted with leading brethren

ren relative to the raising of the desired amount by subscription, and the consensus of opinion was that the Grand Lodge would consider it a duty, as well as a pleasure and honor, to pay the same from its treasury; that having originated and carried on the great enterprise for three years, and having requested Virginia to take on itself the further labor and responsibility, and the latter having solicited our financial support, in excess of the pro rata requested of other Grand Jurisdictions, because of our initiation of the Memorial, our Grand Lodge would not hesitate a moment in complying, and would not permit individual brethren to pay the money. There being, however, no authority to so employ our Grand Lodge funds, the committee proceeded to obtain individual subscriptions, so that in the event of the Grand Lodge's refusal, the honor of this Grand Jurisdiction should still be maintained. The committee first sent out by mail requests for contributions, as a test of the efficiency of that method, but the results demonstrated that a personal canvass was necessary. The expense of visiting and canvassing other parts of the state, however, effectually prevented efforts for an equal distribution throughout the jurisdiction, and so the committee felt obliged to confine their canvass to the city of Denver. It is well known that soliciting committees are always out, in Denver, on all kinds of missions, and Masons contribute their share to them all; but we could appeal to our Masonic brethren only, and we feel that their response is deserving of more than ordinary commendation from the Grand Lodge which they so graciously served. There is no doubt that the brethren of all parts of the state would have responded with equal generosity, but as personal explanation of the facts was always necessary, at greater or less length, it was, as before stated, impracticable to reach them without large expense, to say nothing of the additional time that would have been required for your committee. We think it proper to report the names of the subscribers in full, and it is with some pride that we are able to report that we met with no positive refusals in obtaining one hundred subscribers of ten dollars each. Most of these were made upon the statement by your committee (after correspondence with the Grand Master) that they would only be called in in case of the refusal of the Grand Lodge to make the appropriation, and that the committee believed such appropriation would be made.

This entire enterprise is in the name of our beloved Grand Lodge. No individual, except he who may become your Grand Master for the ensuing year, and who has been assigned by our Virginia brethren to divide the honors of oratory with the Presi-

dent of the United States, can receive any personal honor. It all belongs to the Grand Lodge of the state that was admitted to the American Union on the hundredth anniversary of the declaration of independence, which Washington made effective. And so your committee believes, after conference with many of your members, that it will be entirely foreign to your wishes to use any of the subscriptions that have been made, and that you will prefer to stand shoulder to shoulder with old Virginia, not niggardly, as if it was an ordinary event, but grandly, nobly and with generous self-respect, by unanimously appropriating the amount from the general treasury. So believing, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be, and hereby is, directed to draw a warrant upon the R. W. Grand Treasurer for the sum of \$1,000, and that a draft for the amount be immediately forwarded to the treasurer of the Committee of Arrangements at Richmond, and that such personal subscriptions as have been paid in, be returned by the Grand Secretary to the subscribers, with the thanks of this Grand Lodge for the same."

In a former report by this committee it was recommended, and the Grand Lodge voted, that all the Lodges in this jurisdiction be requested to arrange for local memorial exercises on the anniversary of Worshipful Bro. Washington's death.

During the present year your Grand Master requested this committee to suggest at this annual Grand Communication a suitable programme or order of exercises for use in whole or in part by the Subordinate Lodges. In accordance with that request, after availing themselves of valuable suggestions from the Grand Master himself, the committee presents the following, to be interspersed with such music as may be arranged by the Lodges:

That where there is more than one Lodge in any town or city, the brethren all unite in the exercises.

That they be held on the day or evening of the 14th of December next, the anniversary of General Washington's death.

That the M. W. Grand Master be requested to issue general authority to all Lodges that may wish to avail themselves of the same, to hold their exercises in any public hall, to be attended by the public, and to march in procession thereto.

That the flag of our country, draped with crape, be displayed in every Lodge room or public hall used by the Lodges during the memorial exercises.

The reading of an account of Washington's last illness, from the diary of his secretary, published in McClure's Magazine of February, 1898.

The reading of a personal letter to the Lodges of Colorado, from the Worshipful Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, of which Washington was the first Master under its Virginia charter, which letter includes an account of Washington's Masonic life.

An address upon the early influence of Masonry on the development of the American idea of the equality of men, as expressed in the declaration of independence, and its culmination in the independence of the American colonies.

An address on the personal character and public services of Washington.

The reading of Washington's "Farewell Address."

We recommend that the foregoing programme be printed in circular form, without unnecessary delay, and copies thereof be forwarded by R. W. Grand Secretary to each Lodge in this jurisdiction; and that the letter of the Worshipful Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge be printed in separate form, and forwarded for reading at each Lodge. This letter is of special interest, first, because coming from a brother who occupies the East where Washington once presided, it seems to bridge the chasm of time that has elapsed since he sat with his brethren; and second, because it includes an interesting account of the leading events of his Masonic life, of the present condition of the Bible on which he was obligated, the chair in which he presided, and other priceless relics of his connection with Free Masonry. This letter was prepared by the Master of that Lodge at our request, for the purpose of being used by our Lodges as herein recommended.

We consider that the holding of local memorial exercises in all the Lodges of the United States will be of equal, or even greater, effect in reviving public interest in the virtues of our great countryman, as the national exercises at Mount Vernon; and to foster such exercises in other jurisdictions, we recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to forward copies of this programme in advance of our regular proceedings to the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of all Grand Lodges with which we are in correspondence.

We further recommend that the Proceedings of this Annual Grand Communication contain a memorial page as a frontispiece, with the following inscription:

TO THE MEMORY
of
WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GEORGE WASHINGTON,
Inscribed
on the
Centennial of His Death
by the
M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.
of the
State of Colorado;
Which was admitted to the
Union of States
on the
Centennial of the Declaration
of Independence,
Which was made effective
by Washington,
Through His Practice
of the various
MASONIC VIRTUES.

This committee has had a copy made of its correspondence, which, with the original letters to it, and the reports and circulars that have emanated from Colorado and Virginia, compose an historical account of the movement from its inception in 1893, and all these have been bound into a volume for preservation. This volume, which will develop historical interest and value, we will now deliver to the Grand Secretary.

In conclusion, Most Worshipful Grand Master and brethren, after six years of service upon this most interesting subject, your committee desires to briefly trench upon the realms of prophecy:

The proposed memorial exercises at Mount Vernon and in all the Lodges of the United States, will constitute the most prominent feature in all the daily papers of the country upon the succeeding day. Millions of people will be brought into closer knowledge and sympathy with the governing principles of our forefathers; and their sentiments will be favorably turned to Masonry, as something which Washington and his patriot contemporaries loved, and worthy of their own connection with. Greater than any mere prosperity to the fraternity itself, will develop a popular perception, now scarcely recognized, of the intimate relations existing between Masonry and the progress of the world.

The action of our Grand Lodge in initiating this memorial will long appear in its history as the most beautiful jewel that sparkles in a crown. It will result in the observance of the anniversary upon each centennial recurrence, not only by the Masonic fraternity of our own country, but in time by the whole world. The early Masonic Lodge which inculcated the brotherhood of man, schooled the colonial leaders to build a nation founded on equal rights, and when the memorial volume of this centennial shall be perused by our brothers in formulating their exercises one hundred years from now, there will then be no part of the inhabited world uncivilized; and the ideas of our colonial Masons will have become so universal that men of all nations will deem it a privilege to journey to Mount Vernon to do Masonic honor to the memory of the first American.

ROGER W. WOODBURY,
WILLIAM D. WRIGHT,
WILLIAM D. TODD,

Committee.

APPENDIX.

Herewith we report a copy of the subscription paper heretofore mentioned in this report, and the names of one hundred brethren subscribing ten dollars each, as follows:

Whereas, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons of Colorado suggested and initiated proceedings for National Masonic Memorial Exercises to be held on this 100th anniversary of the death of Worshipful Bro. George Washington, at Mount Vernon, and which movement has been approved by some fifty Masonic Grand Lodges throughout the world; and at the request of the Grand Lodge of Colorado the M. W. Grand Lodge of Virginia has undertaken full control of all the arrangements therefor; and the movement having assumed such proportions that it will be actively participated in by the President of the United States and many other prominent representative Freemasons from the old as well as the new world, and will likely be one of, if not the greatest of events in Masonic history, and the Grand Lodge of Colorado being desirous that its brethren should generously aid in contributing to the expense of carrying out this important undertaking with credit to the Masonic name of the state and the general honor of Masonry,

Therefore, We, the undersigned, hereby subscribe the sums set opposite our respective names to be used for the purpose above set forth, and will pay the same at the call of the commit-

tee representing the Grand Lodge of Colorado, to-wit: Roger W. Woodbury, William D. Wright and William D. Todd.

Names—		Amount.	Names—		Amount.
Wolfe Londoner.....	\$	10.00	William G. Evans.....		10.00
W. G. Brown.....		10.00	Rodney Curtis		10.00
James H. Blood.....		10.00	W. W. Booth		10.00
B. L. James.....		10.00	R. A. Kincaid.....		10.00
W. H. Kistler.....		10.00	A. L. Doud.....		10.00
Adolph Schinner		10.00	Frank Kratzer		10.00
Cromwell Tucker		10.00	H. C. Woodworth & Son...		10.00
Edmund L. Scholtz.....		10.00	H. M. Orahoad.....		10.00
W. F. Robinson.....		10.00	Ernest LeNeve Foster.....		10.00
Arthur E. Jones.....		10.00	Luther H. Wygant, Jr.....		10.00
W. S. Cheesman.....		10.00	Henry Appel		10.00
Wm. D. Pelce.....		10.00	Frank C. Goudy.....		10.00
Henry Bohm		10.00	Durand C. Packard.....		10.00
George Stidger		10.00	Andrew W. Gillette.....		10.00
Cooper & Powell.....		10.00	O. B. Scobey.....		10.00
Julius A. Myers.....		10.00	C. T. Linton.....		10.00
Geo. S. Van Law.....		10.00	J. P. Hall.....		10.00
W. A. Marean.....		10.00	E. M. Ashley.....		10.00
Ed. C. Parmelee.....		10.00	R. P. Rollins.....		10.00
L. N. Greenleaf.....		10.00	J. J. Walley.....		10.00
John Chase		10.00	Peter Winne		10.00
Hubert L. Shattuck.....		10.00	J. H. Montgomery.....		10.00
Horace T. DeLong.....		10.00	Henry P. Steele.....		10.00
Wm. Smedley		10.00	Geo. L. Sites.....		10.00
Philip Feldhauser		10.00	James H. Brown.....		10.00
I. N. Stevens.....		10.00	H. M. Teller.....		10.00
Wm. H. Sanford.....		10.00	William E. Greenlee.....		10.00
F. Dillingham		10.00	Robert S. Roe.....		10.00
P. J. Sours.....		10.00	Wm. K. Burchinell.....		10.00
Geo. J. Besser.....		10.00	O. S. Storrs.....		10.00
William Geddes		10.00	Benton Canon		10.00
Ralph Talbot		10.00	C. M. Kellogg.....		10.00
E. C. Shumway.....		10.00	Booth M. Malone.....		10.00
Melvin Edwards		10.00	M. S. Appel.....		10.00
Jos. N. Stephens.....		10.00	H. J. Hersey.....		10.00
J. C. Helm		10.00	Wm. J. Miles.....		10.00
F. J. Chamberlin.....		10.00	H. A. Beard.....		10.00
Cass E. Herrington.....		10.00	J. R. Saville.....		10.00
Geo. C. Norris.....		10.00	Frank L. Bishop.....		10.00
Harry D. Martin.....		10.00	John Gregor		10.00
Jason P. LaBelle.....		10.00	L. L. Rees.....		10.00
Benj. F. Harrington.....		10.00	Lewis B. France.....		10.00
C. D. Cobb.....		10.00	Geo. F. Dunklee.....		10.00
C. M. Day.....		10.00	J. C. Johnston.....		10.00
Earl M. Cranston.....		10.00	H. J. Hernage.....		10.00
Chas. M. Ford.....		10.00	J. C. Dresser.....		10.00
Jos. H. Smith.....		10.00	Frederick H. Randall.....		10.00
A. B. McGaffey.....		10.00	W. D. Wright.....		10.00
R. W. Steele.....		10.00	Roger W. Woodbury.....		10.00
W. W. Dale.....		10.00			
D. K. Lee.....		10.00	Total		\$1,000.00

Bro. H. M. Teller (6) moved that the report be accepted and adopted. Motion adopted by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

ON PROPERTY OF P. G. MASTER CHIVINGTON.

W. T. BRIDWELL (15).

B. L. JAMES (7).

A. E. JONES (84).

ON HISTORICAL DATA OF PERMANENT MEMBERS.

M. H. DEAN (65).

J. R. KILLIAN (27).

L. M. MILLER (55).

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER.

Golden, Colorado, September 19, 1899.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

In accordance with Section 25 of the Constitution of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, I submit my report as Grand Lecturer for the past Masonic year.

I regret to say my personal affairs were such as to disarrange my plans as to preclude me from visiting as many Lodges as I had hoped to. However, I have corresponded with most of the Lodges in the jurisdiction and have imparted a great deal of instruction to their officers in this way.

On March 3, 1899, I visited Golden City Lodge No. 1.

March 22 I visited Idaho Springs Lodge No. 26.

On March 11 I issued a commission to Bro. George Rockfinger, of Victor, Colo., requesting and authorizing him to examine Bro. Louis Hamilton, the proposed Worshipful Master of a new Lodge to be opened at Goldfield, Colo.

On March 31, 1899, I received return to said commission from Bro. Rockfinger, showing a compliance therewith and the issuance of a certificate of proficiency.

On July 6, 1899, I met with South Pueblo Lodge No. 31.

On July 27 I issued a commission to Bro. W. H. Thompson, Worshipful Master of Occidental Lodge No. 20, of Greeley, Colo., authorizing him to examine Bro. W. L. Petrikin, who had been recommended for appointment as Worshipful Master of a Lodge to be started at Eaton, Colo.

On August 10 Brother Thompson made return to said commission showing a compliance therewith, and the issuance of a certificate of proficiency.

On August 23 I visited Central City Lodge No. 6.

On August 24 I met with Black Hawk Lodge No. 11.

On August 26 I visited Nevada Lodge No. 4.

On August 26 I met with Washington Lodge No. 12 and Georgetown Lodge No. 48.

On August 29 I visited Cripple Creek and assisted the M. W. Grand Master to lay the corner stone of the public High School building. In the evening Mount Pisgah Lodge No. 96 held a special communication, and, in company with the Grand Master and other Grand Officers, I visited their Lodge and conducted a school of instruction.

On September 11 I visited Pueblo Lodge No. 17.

On September 14 I was with the brethren of Silver State Lodge No. 95.

In all of the Lodges I have visited and from the correspondence I have had, I am pleased to report harmony and fraternal feeling in every locality.

I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to the Masters and brethren throughout the state who have materially assisted me in the discharge of my duties, and who, by their kindness and courtesy, have made my labors a pleasure. I also wish to thank the present and past Grand Officers for their support so graciously tendered upon every possible occasion.

In conclusion, Most Worshipful Sir, permit me to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me by permitting me to succeed myself in this high office, the duties of which I have most faithfully endeavored to perform. Fraternaly submitted,

FRANK G. MIRICK,
Grand Lecturer.

On motion the report was ordered published with our proceedings.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf (5) presented the report on correspondence, which was ordered published with our proceedings. (See Appendix.)

ANNUAL ELECTION.

Bros. A. R. Frisbie (15), A. R. Springer (33), J. L. Wright (51), and Geo. Stidger (84) were appointed to collect the votes.

The following officers were elected:

ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51), Leadville.....G. M.

JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15), Canon City.....D. G. M.

GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado

Springs.....S. G. W.

MARSHALL H. DEAN (65), Glenwood

Springs.....J. G. W.

DARIUS A. BARTON (87), Denver.....G. Treas.

ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Denver.....G. Sec'y

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 7:45 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY - THIRD SESSION.

Tuesday, September 19, 1899, 7:45 o'clock p. m.
Grand Lodge resumed labor.
Grand Master DeLong in the East.

REPORT ON RITUAL.

Bro. Foster (84) presented the report on ritual, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

In 1894 Bro. Grand Lecturer Cromwell Tucker, P. G. M. George E. Wyman, and Worshipful Bro. Frank P. Secor were appointed a Committee on Ritual.

That committee was unable to get together, and in 1896 Grand Master Wm. D. Peirce, considering its importance, appointed Bro. Grand Senior Warden Cromwell Tucker and P. G. Masters Ernest LeNeve Foster and Byron L. Carr to perform the work. This they did at several meetings of the committee, but the result of their work never having been made a matter of record, Grand Master Horace T. DeLong continued that committee, and requested it to report at this session of the Grand Lodge. * * *

Your committee is of the opinion that for the preservation of the work a permanent committee of three, to be known as Custodians of the Work, should be appointed. The three appointed in 1890 to hold office for one, two and three years respectively and one to be appointed each succeeding year for a term of three years. That this committee should keep a record of its proceedings in the office of the Grand Secretary and its decisions be final on all questions as to the interpretation of the ritual.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
ERNEST LENEVE FOSTER,
Committee.

The rest of the session was spent in discussing the ritual.

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

Wednesday, September 20, 1899, 10 o'clock a. m.
Grand Lodge resumed labor.
Grand Master DeLong in the East.

REPORT ON NECROLOGY.

Bro. Greenleaf (5) presented the following, which was adopted by unanimous vote:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your special committee on Necrology would respectfully report the following:

Never before in the history of this Grand Lodge have we assembled with hearts so overburdened with sorrow. We realize as never before "the certainty of death and the vanity of all human pursuits."

From the roll of our Past Grand Officers have been stricken by the invisible hand of the Dark Angel, the names of Past Grand Masters Oren H. Henry, George E. Wyman and Byron L. Carr, and that of Past Deputy Grand Master Francis L. Childs.

They had become so endeared to us through long years of close companionship that it seems hard to realize the full significance of our great loss. We glance through this sacred retreat and our eyes wander to the Grand East, expectant to greet their cheery faces and familiar presence, and we would fain believe they are "just away." But alas! they have laid down the working tools of life forever.

"Give them the meed they have won in the past,
Give them the honors their merit forecast;
Give them the chaplets they won in the strife,
Give them the laurels they lost with their life;
Cover them over with beautiful flowers,
Deck them with garlands, those brothers of ours."

We have gathered the following data:

Francis L. Childs, Past Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, died at his home in Greeley, Colorado, on September 27th, 1898, at the ripe age of 74 years.

Bro. Childs was born in Wilmington, Vermont, September 22d, 1824. His early years were spent in his native state. Sub-

sequently he was engaged in business pursuits in Boston, Mass., Troy and Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and for some years before coming to Colorado, he resided at Shaftsbury, Vermont, where he took a leading part in public affairs, serving for eleven years as Justice of the Peace. He was one of the charter members of the Union Colony of Greeley, Colorado, to which place he removed with his family, arriving there on May 9th, 1870. He was one of the most zealous workers in the early settlement of that colony, and was the first Justice of the Peace, and served in that office for some nine years, and was elected an Alderman in 1886.

Bro. Childs was married three times, and was united to Miss Betsey Johnson, of Shaftsbury, Vermont, September 20, 1855, who, after a faithful companionship of nearly half a century, together with his son, W. J. Childs, is left to mourn his loss.

His Masonic record is as follows: He was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason December 21st, 1867, in Tucker Lodge No. 48, A. F. & A. M., North Bennington, Vermont, served as Senior Deacon in 1869. Dimitted June, 1871. Was a charter member of Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley, Colorado. Was appointed the first Master and served as such at different times for six years. In 1873 he was appointed Senior Grand Deacon, elected Junior Grand Warden in 1874, Senior Grand Warden in 1875, and Deputy Grand Master in 1876.

He was exalted to the august degree in Greeley Chapter No. 13, R. A. M., January 1st 1883, and was elected High Priest in 1885. He received the Order of the Temple in Greeley Commandery No. 10, K. T., May 28th, 1884, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1894. He was elected an honorary member of the Masonic Veteran Association of the Pacific Coast, July 6th, 1891, for services rendered to Freemasonry.

"Why weep ye, then, for him who, having won
The bounds of man's appointed years at last,
Life's blessings all enjoyed, life's labors done,
Serenely to his final rest has passed,
While the soft memory of his virtues yet
Lingers like twilight hues, when the bright sun is set?"

Oren Harrison Henry, Past Grand Master, died at his home in Denver, on October 4th, 1898.

Bro. Henry was born at Waterford, Vermont, October 14th, 1842. He was one of the pioneers of Colorado, having come here July 10th, 1860. He first settled in Central City, where he remained until the fall of 1861, when he enlisted in Company K, Colorado Volunteers, serving until 1864, when he returned to Central City.

In June, 1866, he married Miss Katherine Gundy, and moved to Ward, Colorado, where he was engaged in mining until 1869, when he removed to Boulder, Colorado.

He was a Director of the Colorado Central Railroad in 1876 when it was built to Boulder, and subsequently was Superintendent, making his headquarters at Golden, residing there until the road became part of the Union Pacific system in 1880. In 1881 he went to Leadville, where he organized the North American Mining Company. He was one of the first Coloradans to go to Montana during the Coeur d'Alene mining excitement, returning to Denver in 1885, where his family then resided. He made three trips to Old Mexico in the mining interest, the last in the spring of 1898. In August of that year he was taken sick in the City of Mexico with typhus malarial fever. When partially convalescent he was sent home, where he arrived on September 28th, in a very emaciated condition. Every care and attention was given him, but he passed from the scenes of earth a brief week after reaching home.

He leaves a widow and three grown sons to mourn his loss.

His Masonic record is as follows: He was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in Nevada Lodge No. 4, A. F. & A. M., February 25th, 1865. He was appointed Senior Deacon the same year. Dimitted October 8, 1867, and became a charter member of Columbia Lodge No. 14, A. F. & A. M., Boulder, Colo. He was appointed Senior Deacon in 1866, elected Junior Warden 1867, Senior Warden 1868, and Worshipful Master 1869 and 1870.

He was appointed Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge in 1872. Was elected Junior Grand Warden 1873, Senior Grand Warden 1874, and Grand Master in 1875.

He was exalted to the August Degree in Denver Chapter No. 2, R. A. M., ———— and was dimitted in September, 1875, becoming a charter member of Boulder Chapter No. 7, R. A. M., and its first High Priest.

He was elected Deputy Grand High Priest in 1876 and Grand High Priest in 1877.

He received the Order of the Temple in Colorado Commandery No. 1, K. T., Nov. 10, 1874.

He received the Degrees of the A. and A. S. Rite from 4° to 32° inclusive, at the hands of Bro. A. G. Mackey, Secretary General, at Golden, Colorado, July 10, 1877.

"He was a Mason true and good,
Sincere in friendship, ready in relief,
Discreet in trusts, faithful in brotherhood,
Gentle in sympathy, kind in grief."

George Edward Wyman, Past Grand Master, died at his home in Denver, Colo., March 6th, 1899, after a somewhat protracted illness.

Bro. Wyman was born at Alcester, England, January 4th, 1848. He came to America in 1873, and two years later to Colorado, where he settled on a ranch near Longmont. He was married to Miss Mary E. Crouch, on April 18th, 1875, who, together with a daughter, is left to mourn his loss.

He filled many positions of honor and trust, discharging the duties of the same with such fidelity as to ensure his re-election.

His Masonic history is as follows: Initiated December 15th, 1877; passed January 8th, 1878; raised January 10th, 1878, in St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, at Longmont, Colorado; elected Senior Warden in 1878, and Master in 1879.

In the Grand Lodge he was appointed Grand Orator in 1879, Grand Lecturer in 1880, '81, '82, '83, '88, '89 and '95. Was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1884, and Grand Master in 1885.

He was made a Royal Arch Mason in 1881, in Longmont Chapter No. 8, at Longmont, and was elected High Priest in 1883. He became a charter member of Colorado Chapter No. 29, at Denver, in 1893, and was elected Treasurer of that Chapter in 1893, '94 and '95.

He was created a Knight Templar in Colorado Commandery No. 1, at Denver, February 14th, 1882. He was a charter member of, and the first Commander of Long's Peak Commandery No. 12, at Longmont, in 1884, and was elected to that office in 1884, '85, '86, '87 and '91. He was a charter member and Commander while under dispensation of Denver Commandery No. 25, at Denver, in 1892. In the Grand Commandery he was appointed Grand Warden in 1887, elected Deputy Grand Commander in 1888 and '89, and Grand Commander in 1890, and Grand Treasurer in 1893, '94 and '95.

He was a zealous worker in the Grand Lodge and ever willing to perform any duty that might be entrusted to him. While his efficient service upon the standing committees will be recalled, his labors as Grand Lecturer for seven years and his work on the revision of the Ritual entitle him to the faithful remembrance and gratitude of the Craft. He was kind and affable in his intercourse with his brethren, ever ready to impart knowledge to those lesser informed.

"As Hiram slept, the widow's son,
So do our brothers take their rest;
Life's battles fought, life's duties done,
Their faults forgot, their worth confessed."

Byron L. Carr, Past Grand Master, died at Mineral Wells, Texas, on April 21, 1899, whither he had gone to recuperate from

a recent illness, and where he contracted a malignant throat affection which, in his enfeebled condition, he was unable to overcome.

His daughter was with him at the time of his decease, and in response to a telegram his wife had started to reach his bedside, but was notified at the depot in Denver of his death, but continued on her sad journey to Texas and brought back the remains to his home in Longmont.

Bro. Carr was born in Haverhill, Grafton county, New Hampshire, in 1841. He received his education in the schools of New Hampshire and Vermont, taking a course in the Newberry, Vermont, academy. On April 19, 1861, while engrossed in his studies, he enlisted in the Second New Hampshire infantry and served with his regiment for nearly four months. About a year later he re-enlisted in the First New Hampshire cavalry in Company M, and again re-enlisted in 1863, serving until June, 1865, when he was discharged as acting sergeant major of the First cavalry. He participated in many of the most important battles of the war, and at Appomattox received wounds in the right arm which necessitated amputation.

After the war Bro. Carr resumed his studies in Vermont, and after completing his academic course went to Waukegan, Illinois, where he was principal of the high school. A year later he was elected superintendent of schools of Lake county and served four years. While in that position he took up the study of law and was admitted to practice. About this time he married. In 1871 he resigned office and in April came to Colorado. He settled in Longmont, where he opened the first school, being assisted by his wife, he practicing law meanwhile. In 1873-4 he was district attorney for the Northern or first judicial district. In 1875 Bro. Carr was elected a member of the constitutional convention. He was elected attorney general in 1894 and re-elected for a second term.

His Masonic record is as follows: He received the three degrees in Grafton Lodge No. 46, Haverhill, N. H., February 29, 1864; affiliated with Waukegan Lodge No. 78, at Waukegan, Ill., on February 15, 1869; dimitted in January, 1872. He was a charter member of St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, A. F. & A. M. (1872), and was elected Worshipful Master in 1875. In the Grand Lodge he was appointed Grand Orator in 1876, elected Senior Grand Warden in 1877, Deputy Grand Master in 1878, and Grand Master in 1879.

He was exalted in Longmont Chapter No. 8, R. A. M., in 1883; elected Scribe in 1883, King in 1884, and High Priest in 1885. He was created a Knight Templar in Long's Peak Commandery

No. 12, Longmont, in 1884, and elected Eminent Commander in 1886.

In the Grand Commandery he was elected Grand Captain General in 1888 and 1889, Grand Generalissimo in 1890, and Grand Commander in June, 1891, and served by special resolve until September, 1892. He was a prominent figure in the events of the Triennial Conclave which was held in Denver, August, 1892, and discharged the many duties incumbent upon him with signal ability.

"It is not death to die,
To leave this weary road;
And 'midst the brotherhood on high
To be at home, with God.

"It is not death to close
The eye long dimmed by tears
And wake in glorious repose
To spend eternal years.

"It is not death to fling
Aside this sinful dust,
And rise on strong exalting wings
To live, among the just."

Resolved, That pages in our proceedings be suitably inscribed to the memories of these distinguished craftsmen.

That while paying a just tribute to those who have held exalted stations in the fraternity, we are not forgetful of the loss sustained by our Subordinate Lodges in the death of zealous and beloved members. Especially would we bear in tender remembrance those who at their country's call died upon the field of battle in the glorious cause of oppressed humanity.

Resolved, That to the Subordinate Lodges of this jurisdiction within whose tiled recesses has been heard the sound of lamentation for beloved brethren, we tender our heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That a page in our proceedings be set apart and suitably inscribed to the memory of the departed brethren of this jurisdiction.

And now, turning our thoughts to the black-bordered missives received from other Grand Lodges, we are reminded that we are not alone in our sorrow. In our sister Grand Lodges there is mourning for the loss of distinguished craftsmen, honored and beloved not only in their own jurisdictions, but wherever Masonry finds an abiding place. A generation of grand old men who have spent a lifetime in the service of Masonry and in the

cause of human brotherhood, are rapidly passing from the scenes of human activity. And then the solemn thought comes to many of us that, disguise it as we may, we, too, are growing old:

"We had our dreams, those rosy dreams of youth;
They faded, and 'twas well. This afterprime
Hath brought us fuller hopes; and yet, forsooth,
We drop a tear now in this later time
To think we're old.

"We smile at those poor fancies of the past—
A saddened smile, almost akin to pain;
Those high desires, those purposes so vast,
Ah! our poor hearts! they can not come again;
We're growing old.

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"We move along, and scatter as we pace,
Soft graces, tender hopes on every hand;
At last, with gray-streaked hair and hollow face,
We step across the boundary of the land
Where none are old."

Resolved, That to the Grand Lodges of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Dakota, Nova Scotia, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee and Virginia we tender our profound and fraternal sympathy for the irreparable loss they have sustained in the death of active and Past Grand officers.

Resolved, That a page in our proceedings be suitably inscribed to the honored dead of our sister Grand Jurisdictions.

"There is a summons that all must heed
No matter what the belief or creed.
High of station, or low of state,
It comes to all of them soon or late.
In vain the aged, with tottering mien,
Pleads that the summons is not for him.
Doubtful, yet hopeful, clinging to life,
A year or two more of trouble and strife.
Careless the youth, no summons he fears,
Life to him is a voyage of joy, not of tears.
But the messenger comes, he cannot escape,
It is sure as the pole star, relentless as fate;
Craftsmen, have your work prepared,
Marked and numbered, duly squared,
That when presented, no excuse
Shall keep it from the builder's use."

Fraternally submitted,

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF.
ANDREW ARMSTRONG.
R. A. CRUIKSHANK.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Bro. Peabody (15) presented the following reports:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence fraternally report on the recommendation of Grand Master Tucker to adopt a uniform code of By-Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges, which was referred to this committee by the Grand Lodge in 1898, we are of the opinion that such a system would be cumbersome, inapplicable in many cases, and consequently more or less in-operative, and we therefore recommend that our Lodges in adopting a code of By-Laws for their self-government avoid so far as is practicable incorporating therein such subjects as are fully covered by the Constitution, By-Laws and Decisions of this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. ORAHOOD,

J. H. PEABODY,

W. D. PEIRCE,

Committee.

Which was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

Your Committee of Jurisprudence respectfully report:

That we have examined the decisions made by the Grand Master during the past year, and the following meet our approval: Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. (Adopted.)

Regarding Decision No. 3: We are unanimous in the opinion that By-Law No. 74, together with Decision No. 148 made thereon, are sufficiently full and explicit in regard to physical qualifications and the duties of Lodges in regard thereto, and that it is not advisable to require successive Grand Masters to make rulings thereon in individual cases. (Adopted.)

In regard to Decision No. 4: We recommend that the language of this decision be modified so that it shall read:

Dimits should be under the seal of the Lodge issuing them, but the seal is not actually essential. The fact of dimission may be shown by dimit or other evidence which is satisfactory to the Lodge receiving the same. (Not adopted. Decision No. 4 of Grand Master approved.)

Regarding Decision No. 7: We are of the opinion that this should be in the nature of advice to Masters in the government of their Lodges, rather than the subject of a decision by the Grand Master. (Adopted.)

In reference to Decision No. 9: In our opinion Lodge B has no right or authority to spread the ballot on the proficiency of a brother examined, and we therefore disapprove of so much of this decision as is contained in the following words: "And spread the ballot on his proficiency." (Not adopted. Decision No. 9 of Grand Master approved.)

Regarding Decision No. 11: In our opinion a petitioner who has moved from the state and four years later returns to the jurisdiction is not entitled to at once send in his petition for initiation, but, having lost his residence, he is required, under By-Law No. 55, to regain the same by residence for one year in this state after his return and must do so before he can again petition the Lodge. That part of the decision which holds that he has forfeited his money and all rights under his election, and that the Lodge may, by vote, restore to his credit the money forfeited, is approved. (Adopted.)

Regarding Decision No. 12: The peculiar circumstances of this case seem to justify the decision, but we do not desire to go on record as establishing or approving a precedent of this kind. We understand that both the By-Laws referred to, Nos. 56 and 80, are mandatory and ought not to be waived. (Adopted.)

We have examined the special dispensations issued and refused, and in our opinion the action of the Grand Master has been for the best interests of Masonry, and we recommend that his action be approved. (Adopted.)

The By-Laws approved seem to us to be proper and in accordance with Masonic law, and we recommend that the action of the Grand Master be approved. We also recommend that his action in refusing the approval of certain By-Laws as reported be also approved, with this exception: In our opinion the By-Law proposed by Vulcan Lodge No. 103, giving a rejected petitioner the right to again petition the following month, should be approved. See By-Laws, Nos. 68 and 69, and Decision No. 70. (Adopted.)

In regard to recommendations made by the Grand Master, we desire to report that in our opinion a law should be passed authorizing the consolidation of Lodges, and for this purpose we have prepared and submit herewith the amendments or additions to the By-Laws authorizing such consolidation and ask that the same be adopted.

Touching the recommendation of the Grand Master that By-Law No. 125 be amended so as to become more mandatory in its character, we are of the opinion that the law upon this subject is sufficiently clear in its meaning and well understood by our

members, and that its salutary influence is being felt year by year. We recommend that it be continued without further legislation upon this subject at this time. (Adopted.)

We recommend that section 35 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

Each Lodge shall, immediately after its annual installation, report to the Grand Secretary the names of its Master, Wardens and Secretary. (Adopted by a two-thirds vote.)

We recommend that there be added to section 22 of the Constitution the following:

It shall also be the duty of the Grand Secretary to furnish the Grand Master with a complete list of all Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of Lodges in this jurisdiction, on file in his office, not later than the first day of February following the annual installations. (Adopted by a three-fourths vote.)

We recommend that Decision No. 212, made by the Grand Lodge in 1896, be amended so as to read as follows:

In the absence of any work on the degrees, one of the principal officers of the Lodge is required, at least once in every two months, to deliver one of the three lectures of the degrees in their order, and so report to the Grand Lecturer. (Adopted.)

Such other recommendations as were made by the Grand Master and referred to this committee as have not been specifically mentioned in this report are recommended to the attention of the Masters of Lodges and the membership in general, as being entitled to their careful consideration. (Adopted.)

CONSOLIDATION OF LODGES.

1. When two or more Subordinate Lodges having contiguous or concurrent jurisdiction, desire to consolidate and unite as one Lodge, they shall have the right to do so. Before such consolidation shall take place, each Lodge shall give written or printed notice to every member thereof that a proposition is pending looking to such consolidation. The proposition shall lie over in each Lodge at least one month before being acted upon.

2. When the proposition comes up for consideration, if a majority of those present vote for it, the proposition is adopted: Provided, That if seven or more votes are in the negative in either of the Lodges, the proposition is lost.

3. If the proposition is carried, the Secretary of each Lodge shall promptly notify the other of the action taken, giving a list of brethren present, and the character of each vote, whether aye or no. The vote shall be by ayes and noes, and entered in the records, showing the vote of each member present.

4. If the Lodges vote for consolidation, the consolidated Lodge shall take the number of the elder Lodge and such name as the Grand Master may designate.

5. The Grand Master shall be notified of such favorable action by both Lodges that he may appoint the time and place of meeting of the consolidated Lodge.

6. At such meeting, as above, the officers of the elder Lodge shall preside so far as to open the Lodge, whereupon an election of officers of the consolidated Lodge shall be immediately had, and such officers be installed, and all the details of finance and other matters be established and By-Laws adopted. The consolidated Lodge to take the property and pay the debts of both Lodges.

7. The Secretary of the consolidated Lodge shall immediately report to the Grand Master the action above indicated, and shall forward to the Grand Secretary a full transcript of the proceedings had in the two Lodges relative to consolidation, together with names of officers elected and appointed. Thereupon the Grand Master shall issue a new charter attested by the Grand Secretary in which shall be stated the fact of consolidation. The old charters shall be returned to the Grand Secretary, and by him cancelled and retained in the records. (Adopted by a two-thirds vote.)

All of which is fraternally submitted.

H. M. ORAHOOD,

J. H. PEABODY,

WM. D. PEIRCE,

Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion, By-Law 69 was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence with instructions to report an amendment thereto. The committee soon presented the following, which was adopted by a two-thirds vote:

Amend By-Law 60 by adding thereto the following:

Provided, That six months shall elapse before a petition for the degrees shall be again received.

PICTURES IN PROCEEDINGS.

On motion of Bro. Humphreys (28), the recommendation of the Grand Master, "That a suitable cut of our incoming Grand Master be published in our proceedings for

this year, and that hereafter such suitable cuts be published of all our incoming Grand Masters, together with one or more Past Grand Masters," was adopted.

The Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

Wednesday, September 20, 1899, 2:30 o'clock p. m.
Grand Lodge resumed labor.
Grand Master DeLong in the East.

REPORT ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Bro. Bush (26) presented the following reports:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances submit the following report:

In the matter of Thos. Nutt vs. J. E. McClure, it appears from the papers in the hands of the committee that charges were preferred by Bro. Nutt against Bro. McClure. That the W. M. of the Lodge appointed a committee who made an investigation and reported to the Lodge, whereupon the Lodge proceeded to vote upon the merits of the case. Your committee, believing that it is for the best interests of Masonry to have this case tried by an unbiased committee, would recommend that a special committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master to try the case and report their findings to the Grand Master.

In the matter of the appeal of Burlington Lodge No. 77 from the decision of the Grand Master, your committee recommend that the appeal be dismissed, the Grand Lodge having approved the Grand Master's decision No. 15.

In the matter of James Coakley, formerly a member of Del Norte Lodge No. 29, now extinct, who had been suspended by said Lodge for non-payment of dues, and now makes application for reinstatement, the said Coakley having paid all arrearages, and former members of Del Norte No. 29 having recommended his reinstatement, your committee recommend that the Grand Secretary issue a Grand Lodge certificate to said James Coakley.

In the matter of the petition of Walter C. Wescott for reinstatement, said Wescott having been expelled from Amethyst Lodge No. 94, we would respectfully report that after listening to the several arguments and facts presented by members of the

Fraternity who are acquainted with the case, we would recommend that no action be taken by this Grand Lodge at the present time.

W. L. BUSH,
J. C. SANFORD,
H. W. WOODWARD.

Those parts of the report relating to the appeals of Thomas Nutt and Burlington Lodge No. 77, and the petition of James Coakley were adopted. Bro. J. W. Johnson (99) moved that that part of the report relating to Walter C. Wescott be not adopted, and that Walter C. Wescott be restored to Masonry, and that the Grand Secretary issue to him a Grand Lodge certificate. Motion adopted.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances submit the following report:

In the matter of the appeals of Ionic Lodge No. 35 and Leadville Lodge No. 51 from the decision, judgment and sentence in the case of Rob Morris Lodge No. 92 vs. A. Lynch, your committee are of the opinion that the Leadville Lodges have good grounds for an appeal. All proceedings in the trial seem to be regular, but the Lodge seems to have been influenced largely by sentiment in making the punishment indefinite suspension, which is not, in the opinion of the committee, commensurate with the crime.

It appears from the records and evidence obtained by the committee, that Mr. Lynch pleads guilty to the charge of answering "No" to the question: "Have you ever applied for the degrees in Masonry, if so, when, and in what Lodge?" when he had applied to both the Lodges in Leadville, and had been rejected upon three different occasions. He was also found guilty by the Lodge on the charge of claiming a residence of fifteen months in Denver, at the time the petition was signed, when, as a matter of fact, both the said Lynch and his wife voted in Leadville at the election held in November, 1898. In view of these facts, and believing that Rob Morris Lodge erred in sentencing the said Lynch to be indefinitely suspended, your committee would fraternally recommend that the sentence of Rob Morris Lodge No. 92 be set aside, and that the said Aloysius Lynch be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

WM. L. BUSH,
J. C. SANFORD,
GEO. KEITH KIMBALL.

Which report was adopted.

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GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO.



REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Bro. B. L. James (7) presented the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

The Finance Committee report that it has examined the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and find them to be correct, and as follows:

Amount on hand last report.....	\$ 8,515.31
Collected during this year.....	8,526.92
Total	<u>\$17,042.23</u>
Expended as per vouchers.....	6,532.36
Balance	<u>\$10,509.87</u>

LIBRARY FUND.

Amount on hand last report.....	\$ 1,296.50
No collections this year for Library fund.	
No disbursements this year for Library fund.	
Balance	<u>\$ 1,296.50</u>

With regard to the request of Bro. Martin Hanna for refund of \$50.00, loaned Del Norte Lodge No. 29, we recommend that the same be paid.

Referring to the Del Norte, Alamosa and other properties of this Grand Lodge, which your Finance Committee of its last session recommended be left to the care of the Grand Master, we approve of his course regarding these properties, and recommend that the management of same for the next year be left with the Grand Master-elect and the Secretary, further recommending that as soon as the finances will permit, the indebtedness on these properties be reduced, thus stopping the interest on such, which is at a large per cent.

Your committee would respectfully recommend that a special committee be appointed on mileage and per diem, to take charge of the mileage and per diem, thus enabling your Finance Committee to devote more of their time to important matters that may be brought before said committee.

B. L. JAMES,
GEO. W. KELSEY,
EDW'D. J. SMITH.

JURISPRUDENCE—BY-LAWS AMENDED.

Bro. W. D. Peirce (7) presented the following, which was adopted by a two-thirds vote:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully report as follows:

That as to the report of the Committee on Ritual, which was referred to this committee, we are of the opinion that the recommendations therein submitted should be concurred in by this Grand Lodge, and we recommend that the list of standing committees of this Grand Lodge be increased by the addition of a committee which shall be known as The Custodians of the Work, which shall be appointed at this session of the Grand Lodge, by the Grand Master, for one, two and three years respectively. And that one shall be appointed for a term of three years each succeeding year hereafter, and that the Grand Lecturer appointed for this jurisdiction shall be a member of and chairman of this committee, whose duties shall be the custody and preservation of the esoteric work, forms and ceremonies of this jurisdiction. And their decisions on all questions of interpretation of the ritual shall be final and not subject to alteration or review, except by the Grand Lodge. They shall keep a record of their proceedings and rulings hereunder, which shall be deposited in the office of the Grand Secretary and subject to examination in that officer's presence, and they shall make an annual report to this Grand Lodge, through the Grand Lecturer, of their doings.

Fraternally submitted.

H. M. ORAHOOD,

J. H. PEABODY,

W. D. PEIRCE,

Committee.

PAST GRAND MASTER HENRY M. TELLER.

The Grand Master introduced Past Grand Master Teller (6), who addressed the Grand Lodge at considerable length, in his usual eloquent and forcible manner.

FINANCIAL.

Bro. B. L. James (7) presented the following, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

We would recommend that the following amounts be appropriated:

To Committee on Correspondence.....	\$ 200.00
For postage and incidentals.....	300 00
Ed. C. Parmelee, Grand Secretary, for extra incidentals past year	139 74
Thomas Linton, Grand Tiler.....	25 00
G. W. Emery, Janitor.....	15 00
P. C. Johnson, elevator.....	10 00
H. Land, fireman.....	6 00
Pay roll (mileage and per diem).....	1,593 45
Total	\$2,289 59

B. L. JAMES,
GEO. W. KEESEY,
E. J. SMITH.

REPORT ON RETURNS AND WORK—CHARTERS GRANTED.

The Committee on Returns and Work presented the following, which was adopted and charters ordered issued and dispensations continued as therein recommended:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges U. D. have considered the dispensations continued at the last annual communication, and those issued by the M. W. Grand Master. We have also examined the records of said Lodges, proposed By-Laws, petitions for charters and other papers submitted.

The returns from Tyrian Lodge, U. D., at Del Norte, show that the dispensation was issued May 10, 1898, to thirty-six brethren, and continued by action of the Grand Lodge at the annual Grand communication held September 20 and 21, 1898, since which time they have held thirty communications and have initiated five, passed five and raised five. Their records submitted are

neatly and accurately kept and all other papers are in proper form. We find that the members of said Lodge are unanimous in requesting that the names of John Ewing, Jr., Don O. Heywood, George W. Franklin, John W. Wingate and John W. Skinner, who have presented certificates from this M. W. Grand Lodge, be allowed to appear on the charter.

We recommend that the By-Laws, as amended by this committee, be approved, and that a charter be issued to said Lodge under the name and designation of Del Norte Lodge No. 105, at Del Norte, Rio Grande county, Colorado, with

Bro. John G. Huntington, W. M.

Bro. Richard C. Scott, S. W.

Bro. Roy Campbell, J. W.

And the following brethren:

James H. Baxter.

Alfred G. Beere.

John B. Haffy.

Henry C. Aydelotte.

George A. Willis.

John Cleghorn.

Alden Bassett.

Henry M. Dyer.

Mark Biedell.

Julius H. Weiss.

Louie Weiss.

Shepard Phillips.

Duncan Colville.

Ezra T. Elliott.

Jacob Gredig.

William O. Statton.

Martin Hanna.

Don O. Heywood.

John W. Wingate.

Charles H. Jones.

John McFadzeon.

George E. Wood.

Thomas A. Good.

August J. Robran.

Edward R. Hoyt.

James H. Collins.

Christian Keck.

John Ostrum.

Adam J. Weiss.

Gottfried Kernen.

Jesse C. Willey.

Strother N. Scott.

Frank H. Hubbard.

John A. Arthur.

Fred. Raber.

John Off.

Samuel A. Thomas.

Henry Weiss.

John Ewing, Jr.

George W. Franklin.

John W. Skinner.

Arthur T. Scott.

Peter F. Barclay.

The returns from Egeria Lodge, U. D., at Yampa, show that the dispensation was issued July 28, 1898, to ten brethren, and continued by action of the Grand Lodge at the annual Grand communication held September 20 and 21, 1898, since which time they have held twenty-three communications, and have initiated sixteen, passed and raised thirteen. Their records and papers submitted are in fairly good form, excepting that in some respects

the minutes are not as complete as they should be. We are convinced, after a conference with and instructions given to the Secretary of said Lodge, that such slight defects as have occurred will be remedied in the future. We find that the members of said Lodge are unanimous in requesting that the name of Bro. Joseph M. Woolery, who has surrendered a dimit issued by Ionic Lodge No. 35, at Leadville, on August 1, 1889, be allowed to appear on the charter.

We therefore recommend that the code of By-Laws as submitted be approved, and that a charter be issued to said Lodge under the name and designation of Egeria Lodge No. 106, at Yampa, Routt county, Colorado, with

Bro. William J. Breckel, W. M.

Bro. Ervin D. Eaton, S. W.

Bro. Douglas D. Lees, J. W.

And the following brethren:

Henry J. Hernage.

William C. Schalles.

Frank W. Pickett.

Joseph M. Woolery.

Albert J. Carpp.

Edwin H. McFarland.

Eben Rich.

Frederick A. Metcalf.

James H. Laramore.

Lewis L. Wilson.

Cassius M. Viets.

Harvey F. Sturdevant.

Albert J. Leckenby.

Levi A. Trantham.

James Clyde Crossan.

George C. Crossan.

William M. Patton.

Jerry McWilliams.

Samuel A. Tones.

John P. Phillips.

Thomas P. Lindsey.

The returns from Audubon Lodge, U. D., at Ward, show that the dispensation was issued January 21, 1899, to fourteen brethren, since which time they have held fifteen communications and have initiated four, passed and raised three. Their records and papers have been kept in good shape, with the exception that in some instances the minutes are not as explicit as they ought to be. We have instructed the Worshipful Master of said Lodge of what is necessary in connection therewith, and he has given us his assurance that the omissions brought to his notice will not occur again. We recommend that the code of By-Laws as amended by this committee be approved, and that a charter be issued to said Lodge under the name and designation of Mount Audubon Lodge No. 107, at Ward, Boulder county, Colorado, with

Bro. Robert R. Gibbon, W. M.

Bro. Milburn Knapp, S. W.

Bro. Jasper P. Coffey, J. W.

And the following brethren:

Wm. T. McGinnis.	William A. Wood.
Hiram W. Churchill.	Jacob J. Row.
Jas. Tonkin.	Nathaniel D. Sibley.
Uriah McClancy.	Edward W. Mechem.
John Hartley.	William P. Fulton.
James A. Rundell.	William A. Coleman.
Augustus Beck.	Clarence Jarbeau.

We find that Goldfield Lodge, U. D., of Goldfield, Colo., and Abdallah Lodge, U. D., of Eaton, Colo., to which dispensations were issued on August 8 and 21, 1899, respectively, have not complied with the Grand Lodge regulations, not having had sufficient time to confer the three degrees, and therefore recommend that the dispensations be continued until the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
CALVIN E. REED,
J. R. STRUGNELL,
Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The following were presented and adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your special committee appointed to report as to the matter of having a suitable monument prepared and placed upon the grave of our deceased M. W. Bro. John M. Chivington, respectfully report that we have secured designs and proposals which we submit herewith. In view, however, of the circumstances connected with the estate of our deceased brother, as mentioned in the address of M. W. Grand Master Horace T. DeLong, your committee is of the opinion that it should not make any recommendation as to the final disposition of this matter, believing that it should receive the further consideration of the Grand Lodge.

CROMWELL TUCKER,
WILLIAM D WRIGHT,
ED. C. PARMELEE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your special committee appointed to investigate matters concerning certain tax titles held by the Grand Secretary as trustee for the Grand Lodge, recommend that the Grand Secre-

tary be authorized to continue as such trustee and at the proper time to pay all assessments and taxes for the year 1899, and have the same properly endorsed upon the certificate now held.

W. T. BRIDWELL,
ARTHUR E. JONES,
B. L. JAMES,
Committee.

PETITIONS FOR THE DEGREES.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Bush (26) the form of petition heretofore adopted was amended, so that the signature of the petitioner should be immediately after the last question. (See Appendix for form as amended.)

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

Bro. H. M. Teller (6) offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That there is hereby appropriated from the grand treasury such sum of money as may be required to pay the necessary expenses of the Washington Memorial Committee (P. G. Masters Roger W. Woodbury, William D. Todd and William D. Wright) in attending the Washington Centennial Memorial exercises in behalf of this Grand Lodge and the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction; and that the Grand Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant for such sums as shall be certified to him for such purpose.

CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.

A petition from Victor Lodge No. 99, and Goldfield Lodge, U. D., was presented, asking that those Lodges be given concurrent jurisdiction.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Johnson (99) concurrent jurisdiction was given said Lodges.

DONATION.

On motion the personal property of the late Del Norte Lodge No. 29 was given to Del Norte Lodge No. 105.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The following list of appointed officers was read:

ANDREW ARMSTRONG (19), Fort Collins.....G. Chaplain.
 HERSCHEL M. HOGG (56), Telluride.....G. Orator.
 ERNEST LENEVE FOSTER (84), Denver.....G. Lecturer.
 GEORGE T. COOPER (5), Amethyst.....G. Marshal.
 JAMES R. KILLIAN (27), Walsenburg.....S. G. Déacon.
 LAWRENCE M. MILLER (55), Grand Junction....J. G. Deacon.
 BENJAMIN L. JAMES (7), Denver.....S. G. Steward.
 H. W. WOODWARD (51), Leadville.....J. G. Steward.
 THOMAS LINTON (5), Denver.....G. Tiler.

INSTALLATION.

Grand Master H. T. DeLong (55) installed all the elected and appointed officers, who assumed their respective stations.

Bro. Burnand, the newly installed Grand Master, addressed the Grand Lodge.

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

On motion of Bro. E. W. Sibbald (15), Past Grand Master Henry M. Teller was invited to attend the Washington Centennial Memorial exercises, at Mount Vernon, December 14, 1899, as the special delegate from this M. W. Grand Lodge.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Grand Master announced the following appointments:

ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Harper M. Orahood (11).....Denver.
 James H. Peabody (15).....Cafion City.
 John M. Maxwell (51).....Leadville.

ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Lawrence N. Greenleaf (5).....Denver.
 Moses E. Lewis (97).....Florence.
 Henry T. West (20).....Greeley.

ON RETURNS AND WORK OF LODGES U. D.

Horace T. DeLong (55).....Grand Junction.
 Harry Hendrie (99).....Victor.
 J. A. Davis (14).....Boulder

ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

George W. Roe (95).....Pueblo.
 Daniel A. Bradbury (15).....Cañon City.
 Edward J. Smith (13).....Colorado Springs.

ON FINANCE, MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

George W. Keesey (32).....Saguache.
 John Humphreys (28).....Trinidad.
 James Lyttle (80).....Meeker.

CUSTODIANS OF THE WORK.

Ernest LeNeve Foster (84), Denver.....For three years.
 Cromwell Tucker (5), Denver.....For two years.
 Frank G. Mirick (31), Golden.....For one year.

JEWEL PRESENTED.

Grand Master Burnand presented Past Grand Master DeLong with a Past Grand Master's jewel. Bro. DeLong returned thanks in a feeling manner.

The minutes were read and approved, and the Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form.



ALPHONSE A. BURNAND,
 Grand Master.

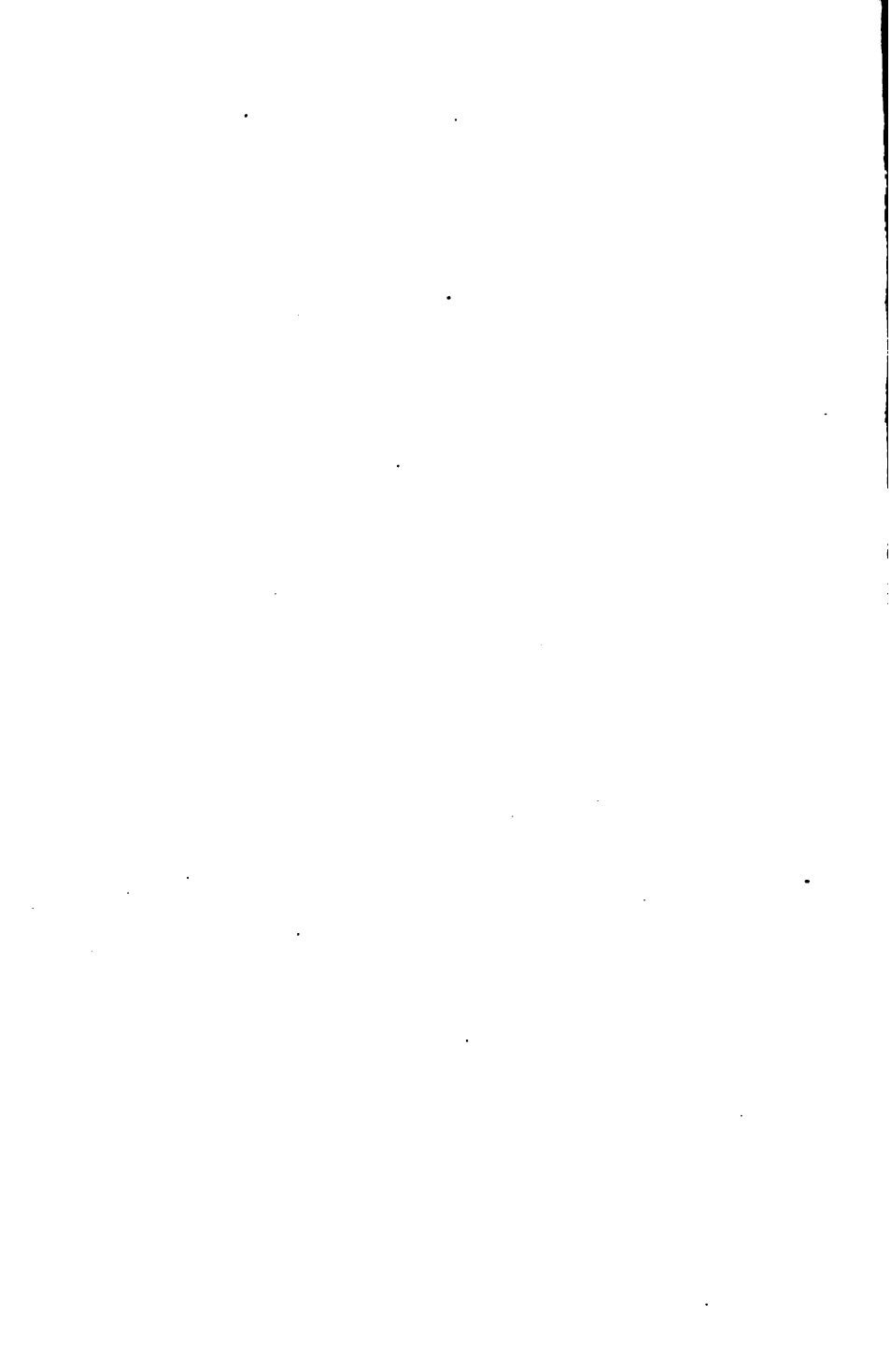
Attest:

Ed. LeParnelle
 Grand Secretary.

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Report on Correspondence.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith presents the following report:

In accordance with our practice in former reports, we reserve any discussion upon important questions now before the Craft, for our Conclusion.

We have received from the Grand Secretary the proceedings of the following Grand Lodges, fifty-six in number, some of them being for two years:

Alabama	1898	New Brunswick	1898
Arizona	1898	New Hampshire	1899
Arkansas	1898	New Jersey	1899
California	1898	New Mexico	1898
Canada	1898	New South Wales	1898
Connecticut	1899	New York	1899
Delaware	1898	New Zealand	1898, 1899
District of Columbia	1898	North Carolina	1899
England	1898, 1899	North Dakota	1898, 1899
Florida	1899	Nova Scotia	1898
Georgia	1898	Ohio	1898
Idaho	1898	Oklahoma	1899
Illinois	1898	Oregon	1899
Indiana	1899	Pennsylvania	1898
Indian Territory	1898, 1899	Prince Edward Island	1899
Iowa	1899	Quebec	1899
Kansas	1899	Rhode Island	1898
Kentucky	1898	South Australia	1898
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ALABAMA.

Seventy-eighth Annual, December, 1898.

In his second annual address, Grand Master James A. Bilbro, among other commendable utterances, lays stress upon the duty that Masons owe to humanity, declaring it to be a mistaken idea to suppose that our obligation extends no further than to those of our own membership.

He is pleased with the promptitude with which the Grand Lodge of Peru repealed its unjustifiable decree, regarding it as "the correction of one of the gravest wrongs ever committed against Masonry." In referring to the Bible as the Great Light, he says: "There never has been, and never can be, a Masonic Lodge without it." This is too broadly stated, since it is well known that in those countries where the Koran, Vedas or Pentateuch are regarded as Great Lights, the legality of Masonic Lodges making such use of same is not thereby affected.

He notes the fact that for the first time in their history they had met in their own home, the Masonic Temple recently erected, and that it would be their pleasant duty at that session to dedicate it to God's glory and the cause of Masonry. He refers briefly to the successive steps which had resulted in the final realization of their long cherished desire and the fruition of their hopes.

He pays well deserved tributes to the memories of Past Grand Masters Palmer J. Pillans and Henry C. Tompkins, who for forty and twenty-eight years respectively had been members of that Grand Lodge and zealous workers in the cause of Masonry.

Three dispensations for new Lodges had been granted.

He reports eighteen decisions, quite a material decrease from the fifty-nine reported by him last year. The Committee on Jurisprudence will not report on same until the next Annual. Until passed upon by the Grand Lodge, any critical comment upon them by us is uncalled for.

He regrets the defeat of the amendment to the Constitution providing for the laying aside each year of fifty cents of \$1.00 per capita, for the establishment of a Masonic Home. The vote of the Lodges was as follows: 53

voting for and 220 against, while 106 seemed to think it was not incumbent upon them to stir their lethargy. These latter in the person of their Masters will be called upon to explain their action at the next Annual.

He is severe in his denunciation of the twin evils of drunkenness and profanity, which are regarded with seeming indifference in too many instances. He says: "Masters, Wardens, Deacons and other officers both swear and get drunk, and if they are admonished about it, some of them add to their crimes by a wholesale abuse of the Lodge for attempting to bring about a reform." This is bad enough, but he aims a center shot at the personnel of the Grand Lodge when he says that members have been seen "decidedly under the influence of intoxicants, and that there were still others who profaned the name of Deity while here as Representatives of their Lodges. Brethren, I can not hesitate to say that this is an open mockery of our cause."

He trusts that such offenders may see the error of their ways and that the Grand Lodge "may never again be humiliated by such gross, and oftentimes thoughtless and unintentional indiscretion."

The cases cited were, of course, isolated, and doubtless introduced as "awful examples" to "point a moral," for we can not believe any such state of affairs is widespread through our sister jurisdiction, otherwise Masonry would indeed be a "tinkling cymbal and sounding brass."

To recur to more pleasant matters by way of contrast, he refers to the great good accomplished by their Masonic conferences, not only in imparting a knowledge of the work, but in the moral effect which is had upon the lives of those who attend. We quote his words as follows:

I have attended many of them, and have always noticed that the delegates left them with the purpose of being better Masons. At one of them I saw a brother rise in his place and ask the prayers of the Lodge. He went home saying that henceforth in life he would strive to be a pure man. At another I heard a brother confess with shamefacedness his sin as to profaning God's name, and with tears in his eyes promised that he would never do so again. At still another, I was informed by a delegate to this Grand Lodge, and who is doubtless here this evening, that he was there made to see the enormity of the crime of debauching himself by the use of intoxicating liquors, that he publicly pledged the brethren to lead a better life, and that he

has not touched, tasted or handled vinous, spirituous or malt liquors since. In others I have heard of brethren becoming so full of the spirit of Masonry, that they were constrained to shout praises to God and sing unto Him a new song.

The Grand Lodge passed the following resolution, which was embodied in the special report of the Committee on Correspondence, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That all fraternal relations heretofore subsisting between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington be, and they are hereby suspended until the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington shall have rescinded its resolutions recognizing Negro Masonry."

The dedication ceremonies of the new Masonic Temple occurred in the afternoon of the second day, while the literary exercises in connection therewith were held in the evening; distinguished speakers, representing all branches of Masonry, delivered able and eloquent addresses, which appear in the proceedings. These exercises were concluded at 10:30 p. m., when the Grand Lodge resumed its labors, which were not concluded until 2 o'clock a. m. of the following day.

Bro. Wm. T. Titcomb succeeds the lamented Bro. Palmer J. Pillans as the writer of the Report on Correspondence. Of the fifty-seven proceedings Bro. Pillans had reviewed eighteen before his death. His mantle seems to have fallen upon worthy shoulders indeed, for the report of Bro. Titcomb is able and interesting, while he exhibits special aptitude for reportorial work. Colorado for 1897 has an appreciative review of a page and a half, into which space is condensed the salient features of our proceedings.

D. Dudley Williams, Oxford, Grand Master; H. Clay Armstrong, Montgomery, re-elected Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

Seventeenth Annual, November, 1898.

Grand Master Joseph B. Creamer reports a year of general prosperity in Arizona, from which Masoury had reaped corresponding benefit. The total membership of this jurisdiction is but 701, which is distributed among

14 Lodges. It is 115 less than that of Minneapolis No. 19 of Minnesota, which has a list of 816 members, being the banner Lodge of America. Were the average equally distributed among the 14 Lodges, there would be 50 members to each, which is the average membership of the Lodges in England, if we mistake not. Though numerically Arizona stands No. 50 among American Grand Lodges, yet it has steadily progressed since its organization in March, 1882, when it assumed the responsibilities and burdens of a Grand Body with five Lodges and a total membership of 274. The net increase for the past year was 84.

The Grand Master makes passing reference to the late war with Spain and the great changes that have resulted therefrom, to the severance and restoration of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, and to the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington relative to "Negro Masonry." After a brief review of the latter, he proves himself somewhat of a prophet in his closing paragraph, which has since been verified:—"I have no suggestions to make as to the action of the Grand Lodge at this time; possibly, in the future, after the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has had its opportunity to reason with the Washington brethren, there will be no occasion for any action."

The Grand Lodge subsequently declined to take any action.

The Grand Master reports the following unusual case and his decision thereon:

At a Stated Meeting of "Coronado" Lodge on October 9th, 1897, Bro. A. applied for a dimit. The dimit was granted without a recommendatory certificate. Bro. A., in his complaint, stated that he did not want to sever his connection with the Order, and refused to accept the dimit, and asked that the Lodge be required to give him a dimit with a recommendatory certificate.

On investigation, I found that when the Lodge took action in the matter, a member made a motion that a recommendatory certificate be not given with the dimit. A dimit without a recommendatory certificate in this jurisdiction virtually terminates the fraternal relation of the recipient with the Order, in so far as that his application for membership will not be accepted by a Lodge in this jurisdiction.

I fail to see the justice of a Lodge placing a member in such a position against his will, nor do I think a Lodge has the right to do so except by a proper trial and conviction of Masonic offense.

No. 1.—My decision was: That while it was optional with the Lodge as to whether or not it would grant a recommendatory certificate with a dimit, it is equally optional with the member applying for dimit whether or not he will accept a dimit without a recommendatory certificate. If the brother refuses to accept such a dimit, the action of the Lodge is without force and the brother remains a member of the Lodge.

I have since learned that Bro. A. had been granted a dimit, with the usual recommendatory certificate, by "Coronado" Lodge.

The Jurisprudence Committee recommended that the above decision be not approved, which report was adopted. We quote the language and conclusions of the committee as follows:

The Constitution of this Grand Lodge, in Section 122, provides for a certificate of withdrawal and prescribes the form of such certificate. The Constitution further provides, that no recommendatory certificate shall be given except by a majority vote of the Lodge. The decision of the Grand Master, if sustained, would virtually take away this right from the Lodge and compel it to give a recommendatory certificate to every brother asking to withdraw. A member may make himself so obnoxious to his brethren that they would willingly have him out of the Lodge, and yet they could not charge him with any unmasonic conduct. A brother whose conduct or behavior is such that a majority of his brethren will not recommend him to any other Lodge, is certainly not entitled to relief at the hands of the Grand Lodge.

The decisions of the Grand Lodge of California are somewhat conflicting. While the ruling of the Grand Master seems to be sustained in one instance, your committee is of the opinion that the true intent of the law is to be found in the following decision, Section 396 of Anderson's Digest, taken from Vol. XIII, page 181:

"The very moment a member makes a payment of his dues and notifies his Lodge that he withdraws, he ceases to be a member. Whether a Lodge will recommend him by certificate to the Fraternity as a worthy brother, is a matter for the Lodge to determine, and when membership has been severed it can be restored only by petition and election in the way provided for affiliation."

The fact that a certificate of withdrawal without recommendation will not entitle the holder to apply for affiliation to any Lodge, is not such a hardship as may at first appear, because a brother who has earned the ill-will of the majority of the members of his own Lodge, is certainly not a desirable member for any other Lodge. Your committee therefore beg to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the decision of the Grand Master "that it is optional with a member to accept or reject a certificate of withdrawal when the Lodge refuses to grant a recommendatory certificate," be not approved.

The finances of the Grand Lodge are in excellent condition, the surplus of the year being \$822.46, and the total to its credit \$7,891.97.

Bro. Charles D. Belden, Grand Orator, delivered a very able and scholarly address, taking for his theme: "Freemasonry—The Divine Plan of Life."

The action of the Grand Master in refusing to depu-tize a brother who was not a Past Master to install the officers of a Lodge, was sustained.

The Grand Master is to represent Arizona on the occasion of the Washington Memorial, and if unable to attend is to appoint a Past Grand Master as his alternate.

No Report on Correspondence.

Anthony A. Jones, Prescott, Grand Master; George J. Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

Fifty-ninth Annual, November, 1898.

The address of Grand Master J. B. Baker is a concise review of his official acts. He reports Masoury in a healthy and prosperous condition. Six dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He had annulled his order withdrawing fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru upon receipt of official information that the edict banishing the Bible from Masonic altars had been repealed.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning "Negro Masonry" was submitted for the determination of the Grand Lodge.

He rendered twenty-three decisions, sixteen of which were approved, three disapproved, three modified and one held in abeyance.

Grand Secretary Fay Hempstead presents a very complete report of the business of his office. According to his usual custom, he reports as the banner Lodge for the year Magnolia Lodge No. 60, of Little Rock, which raised 14 and made a net gain of 10, membership 173.

From the report of the Board of Control of the Masonic Temple, the finances are in bad shape, there being an indebtedness of upwards of \$5,000 which had to be met. In accordance with the recommendation of the

Board, the Grand Lodge voted to hold Biennial Communications until three annual sessions shall have been omitted, at the end of six years the annual sessions to be resumed without further action.

In the interest of economy the Report on Correspondence will be discontinued until the Temple debt is paid or disposed of, and until again ordered by the Grand Lodge.

A special report on the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington was presented by the Committee on Correspondence, and upon their recommendation a resolution of non-intercourse was adopted.

The address of Bro. Edgar E. Bryant, Grand Orator, was of much historical value, reviewing in a clear and succinct style the origin and traditions of the Craft, and the later period from the Grand Assembly of York, 926 A. D., to the union of the two Grand Lodges of England in 1813. His treatment of the subject, taken as a whole, is masterly, and the iconoclasts will experience difficulty in answering some of the questions which he propounds.

The National Grand Lodge of Sweden was recognized.

The Grand Lodge will be well represented at the Washington Centennial Observance, a committee of 19, together with four members of Congress from Arkansas, having been appointed.

Hereafter the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage will consist of all the living Past Grand Masters, three or more to constitute a quorum.

From the synopsis of returns the total number of Lodges is 448, of which six are under dispensation. The membership is 12,522, which, compared with last year, shows a loss of 156. The number suspended for non-payment of dues was 480; 132 Lodges did no work.

Bro. Sam H. Davidson presents a most readable Report on Correspondence, covering some 173 pages and filled with entertaining comment concerning the doings of fifty Grand Lodges. Colorado for 1897 receives a notice of two and a half pages, in which the address of Grand Master Roe is summarized and the business of the session noted. It was P. G. M. Henry M. Teller and not Henry W. Tiller who delivered the historical address. Bro. Jasper W. Johnson gets due credit for a "well considered, able and learned address." We regret that these

interesting Reports are to be omitted for the next six years on account of the Temple debt.

Robert M. Smith, Hot Springs. Grand Master; Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

Forty-ninth Annual, October, 1898.

Grand Master Thomas Flint, Jr., is evidently a man of few words. He condenses within the limits of eight pages a record of his official acts and a brief reference to all matters which, in his opinion, should engage the attention of the Grand Lodge. He reports the continued prosperity of the Craft notwithstanding the financial depression, the net gain in membership reaching 734, which had been exceeded but four times in their entire history.

He makes passing reference to the late war with Spain, paying a tribute to the brethren of that jurisdiction who had followed Old Glory to Manila.

Touching allusion is made to the absence of the familiar form of their Grand Tiler, James Oglesby, who for upwards of thirty-three years had faithfully guarded the outer door, and who laid down the "implement of his office" at the touch of the unseen messenger, having nearly reached the age of 87 years.

Among other deaths which it was his duty to record were those of Bro. George Hinds, Past Junior Grand Warden, and Bro. F. E. Baker, Past Grand Orator.

He also makes particular mention of the death at San Bernardino, on February 8, 1898, of the oldest Mason within that jurisdiction, Bro. George Lord. We quote his words as follows:

Bro. Lord was born in New York City, June 27, 1800. He became a Mason in 1828, and had thus passed seventy years in the service of the Craft. He had occupied nearly every station in the gift of the Lodge, and by his constant labors in every capacity had demonstrated his love and affection for his brethren of the Mystic Tie. Honored and esteemed by every one who knew him, he exemplified in his life the teachings of the Order in the best and fullest sense. At the ripe age of 97 years and 7 months Bro. Lord calmly and peacefully passed from this life to the grander and fuller life beyond.

He submits a list of eight decisions, two of which were not approved.

Two Lodges were consolidated and one dispensation granted for a new Lodge.

He had received two applications for dispensations to form Army Lodges, but declined to grant them, as he was of the opinion that it would not be for the best interests of Masonry to do so. In which view the Grand Lodge also concurred.

He had authorized the erection of Masonic headquarters among the soldiers at Camp Merritt, which had proved of great benefit in the way of making acquaintances, furnishing information, providing reading and writing facilities, etc. This noble work was under the direct supervision of the ladies of the Eastern Star, who ministered unto the sick, provided them with delicacies, and furnished hundreds of useful and needed articles.

He congratulates the brethren on the immense success of the Masonic Fair held on May 3, 1898, for the benefit of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, and which grand edifice had at last been completed and was to be formally dedicated by the Grand Lodge at that session.

The reports of the Masonic Boards of Relief are published in detail, as usual, from which we learn that upwards of \$16,500 was expended for relief during the year.

The second day of the session was devoted to the dedication of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home at Decoto. The interesting and impressive ceremonies were conducted by the Grand Master and his associate officers. The oration was delivered by W. Bro. Jacob Voorsanger, Grand Orator for the occasion, and in his remarks he traced the inception of the noble undertaking to its grand consummation.

The net profit realized for the Home from the Masonic Fair, held at San Francisco May 9th to 14th, 1898, was over \$39,000.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a preamble and resolution congratulating the Grand Lodge of Peru upon the restoration of the Bible to its altars and the triumph of Masonic principles. This was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who, never having received an inkling of anything of that nature from an official source, reported it back without recommendation.

The same committee recommended the recognition of the Grand Dieta of Mexico, which was adopted.

An instance of justice long delayed and eclipsed for nearly a quarter of a century is furnished in the case of a brother who was expelled from a Lodge on January 16, 1875, and finally restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry at this session. The charge upon which he was convicted was that of unmasonic conduct, in accusing a brother of participation in the burning of a building. We quote from the report of the Committee on Grievances the following review of this remarkable case:

The petitioner has made application to this Grand Lodge for restoration no less than seven times.

In 1877 the Committee on Grievances recommended the granting of the petition, the adoption of which was refused by this Grand Lodge.

In 1878 the committee reported that they still held to the opinion as to the injustice of the petitioner's expulsion; yet, in view of the bitter opposition, they recommended that the petition be not granted.

In 1879 the committee confessed that the previous report was erroneous, and reiterated their opinion that a gross injustice had been done petitioner, and recommended that he be restored, in which recommendation the Grand Lodge did not concur.

In 1880 the committee recommended that the petition be granted, and the Grand Lodge indefinitely postponed the consideration of the report.

In 1884 the committee, in its report, fully set forth the case and recommended his restoration, the consideration of which was postponed to the next Annual Communication.

In 1885 the report, coming before the Grand Lodge, the recommendation was not concurred in.

In 1886 the committee recommended that the consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed.

In 1895, Woodbridge Lodge still objecting, the committee recommended that the petition be denied.

We have carefully examined the transcript of trial record in this case and the several reports of the committee herein referred to, and we fully concur with the views of the committee as expressed in their report to the Grand Lodge in 1884, and set out in Volume XVI, Grand Lodge Proceedings, pages 732, 733 and 734, and are pleased to report to this Grand Lodge that at last the time has come when Woodbridge Lodge consents to the restoration of the petitioner, for accompanying the petition is a certificate showing that at a stated meeting of said Lodge a resolution recommending to the Grand Lodge the restoration of petitioner was duly passed. We agree with Woodbridge Lodge, believe that the reasons advanced by the petitioner are sufficient, and offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the petition of Charles Howard Gordon to be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry be and the same is hereby granted.

The above is not pleasant reading and is a farcical travesty on one of our cardinal virtues. Its inculcation in Woodbridge Lodge for the past twenty-three years can not be characterized other than as a "tinkling cymbal and sounding brass," with a very large admixture of the latter in the make-up of those who seem to have had a sufficient "pull" to sway their Lodge and commit the Grand Lodge to an act of injustice.

The oration of W. Bro. Edward S. Lippitt, Grand Orator, was an eloquent portrayal of the symbolism and work of Masonry, illustrated by examples of the world's great leaders in critical periods of the world's history.

The sum of \$4,850 was appropriated toward the support of the several Boards of Relief, with the following "string" attached thereto:

Your committee would also recommend that hereafter no allowance be made by this Grand Lodge to any Board of Relief who maintains and grants regular, weekly or monthly stipends to those who are from a Masonic jurisdiction where no attention is paid to reimbursing the Board of Relief making such expenditures.

A resolution setting apart \$3,500 to be used by the Board of Relief of San Francisco in caring for deserving cases of charity, excluded by the above action, failed of adoption.

The Committee on Semi-Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge in 1900 reported progress, stating that they had determined to make the occasion a demonstration of Blue Lodge Masons entirely, which was concurred in.

Past Grand Master William A. Davies presents another of his admirable Reports on Correspondence, reviewing at length the proceedings of fifty-eight Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1897 included. The address of Grand Master Geo. W. Roe is epitomized, and the business of the session passed in review without adverse comment. Bro. Johnson's oration was found to be interesting, and our remarks concerning "physical qualification" in our Report are characterized as "words of wisdom."

Frank M. Angellotti, San Rafael, Grand Master; George Johnson, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

CANADA.

Forty-third Annual, July, 1898.

Soon after the Grand Lodge was formally opened, the Grand Master of Michigan, M. W. James Bradley, and sixteen officers and members of that jurisdiction, were announced, introduced and received with Grand Honors. Grand Master William Gibson extended a hearty welcome to the Michigan brethren, to which the Grand Master of that jurisdiction responded. Then Deputy Grand Master Frank T. Lodge, as a souvenir of their visit, presented to the Grand Lodge of Canada a beautiful gavel, which was of historic interest, being made of materials from the ill-fated U. S. S. Maine.

Grand Master Gibson in his annual address refers to the flourishing condition of the Craft and the creditable manner in which the work is done. Then, again, they were prosperous from a material standpoint, having an accumulated capital of \$95,583.50. During the year the sum total of \$10,775.00 was disbursed for benevolence. From the formation of the Board of Benevolence in 1865 to May 31, 1898, the amount thus distributed reached \$256,500, which, in proportion to their income, is greater than that given by any other Grand Lodge in the world.

The beneficial results derived from their membership in the General Masonic Relief Association are referred to, and especially the saving that has been effected, something like \$6,000 per annum in the Dominion, which is applied to worthy cases, instead of to Masonic impostors and confidence sharps.

He is pleased that no hasty action was taken with regard to Peru, since it had now reversed its decree removing the Bible from its altars.

But one dispensation for a new Lodge was granted.

He pays a deserved tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Daniel Spry.

The reports of the District Deputies, accompanied by statistical tables, are complete and filled with valuable information.

The Committee on Asylum Fund reported that there was not at the present time sufficient enthusiasm among the Masons of that jurisdiction to warrant any attempt to establish a Home. The fund now amounts to \$15,227.75.

Past Grand Master Henry Robertson writes a most concise review of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1897 included. Each has a poetical quotation by way of preface; that assigned to Colorado is as follows (*italics his*):

*"High Souls like those far stars that come in sight
Once in a century."*

Thanks! We can almost imagine we hear Bro. R. propound the query: "How is that for high?" and we make answer:—Sufficiently altitudinous for the average Colorado centenarian.

A brief summary is given of Grand Master Roe's address. He quotes from our Report our remarks on Wisconsin relief proposition and publication of details in appeal cases.

E. T. Malone, Toronto, Grand Master; J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

One Hundred and Eleventh Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master Frank W. Havens, after words of thankfulness to the great Creator for the blessings of prosperity, peace and harmony, turns his thought to the honored dead of that and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Of the former there was but one member of the Grand Lodge, Bro. W. L. Morgan, who for many years had been a member of the Auditing Committee.

He submits three decisions, which were approved. We quote the following:

Question—May a Lodge refuse to grant a dimit to a brother in good standing and otherwise entitled thereto except upon the payment of a fee for the same?

Answer—The payment of a fee for a dimit is a requirement not recognized by the Grand Lodge. If a Lodge had a right to require the payment of a fee, it would have the right to make that fee prohibitory, thus defeating the law of the Grand Lodge, which requires that he shall be entitled to a dimit if in good standing, not under charges, and clear on the books.

He issued an edict restoring fraternal relations with Peru.

Concerning the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington, he says:

Some of the Grand Lodges have gone so far as to issue edicts of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington, on account of this action.

I have not deemed it best to enter into any controversy in regard to this matter, nor to open a correspondence which I felt would lead to no good ends if attempted.

Neither race, nation, creed or color furnish a criterion by which to measure the legitimacy of Masonry, but when the Grand Lodge of any jurisdiction goes so far as to admit that another Grand Body may exist within its own territorial limits, it violates a fundamental principle of American Masonic jurisprudence and its action must not be countenanced.

The Grand Dieta is allowed to wait a while yet before recognition is to be seriously considered. Says he:

Among other important matters which have come to the attention of the Grand Master is the request of the governing Grand Body of Mexico for fraternal recognition and fellowship. It seems to me that until Masonry in the jurisdiction of Mexico has settled more solidly upon the bed-rock of ancient landmarks and shown by the lapse of time, that its erratic methods have become forever obsolete, its entrance into the brotherhood of the faithful may with impunity be delayed.

The report of the Grand Secretary has as a frontispiece a view of the attractive office of that important official, which is a model of convenient accessories. From his statistics we learn that the present membership is 17,232; net gain for the year, 183. The Lodges having the largest number of members are: Hiram No. 1, 776; St. John's No. 3, 535; St. John's No. 4, 662; Wooster No. 79, 559; Hartford No. 88, 556. The Lodge with smallest membership is No. 32, 33 members. The average membership of all the Lodges is 158.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand and the Grand Orient of Belgium were recognized.

The matter of the Washington Memorial and representation thereat by the Grand Lodge was referred to the incoming Grand Master with power to act.

Past Grand Master John H. Barlow presents his fifth Report on Correspondence, which is a most complete review of the proceedings of sixty-four Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1898 included, to which is accorded five and a half pages of his space. Liberal extracts are made from

the address of Grand Master Cromwell Tucker, and several of his decisions are quoted and pronounced good law. Matters of legislation are noted and nearly two pages given to extracts from our Report.

George G. McNall, Greenwich, Grand Master; John H. Barlow, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

Ninety-second Annual, October, 1898.

Grand Master James E. Dutton in his opening remarks refers to the momentous questions and thrilling events which had marked the year in our nation's history. He reports peace and harmony in that jurisdiction. The 21 Lodges have a total membership of 2,176, showing a net gain of 50.

He had visited every Lodge and found that the work was well rendered, the Lodge rooms attractive, and the attendance in most cases very encouraging.

He announces the restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars in Peru.

The Grand Lodge adopted the Maine resolutions concerning rejected material.

Bro. L. H. Jackson presents a concise Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of fifty-eight Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1897 included. Grand Master Roe's address, Bro. Johnson's oration and our Report receive fraternal consideration.

J. H. Rile, Wilmington, Grand Master; B. F. Bertram, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Eighty-eighth Annual, November, 1898.

Grand Master Samuel C. Palmer congratulates the brethren upon the peaceful conditions prevailing in that jurisdiction. He takes pleasure in announcing the restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru, and the resumption of fraternal relations.

He pays a tribute to the memory of Bro. Peter H.

Hooe, Past Deputy Grand Master, and calls the mournful roll of the honored dead of other Grand Jurisdictions.

He refers to the great success of the Masonic Fair in April, which he, assisted by his Grand Officers, had the honor to formally open.

He had appointed a committee to assist in the observance of the Washington Memorial ceremonies, which action was approved.

He commends the Order of the Eastern Star as a valuable auxiliary in the benevolent work of the Lodges.

He has also words of commendation for the Masonic Mutual Relief Association, which is a local institution. Since its organization, thirty-two years ago, it has paid to beneficiaries a grand total of over three-quarters of a million dollars, and in the past year nearly \$24,000.

The business was local in its character.

From the Masonic Fair some fifty thousand dollars was realized as a nucleus toward the building of a new Masonic Temple.

Bro. Wm. R. Singleton, the veteran reviewer, presents his twenty-ninth Report on Correspondence, in which the proceedings of fifty Grand Lodges pass under his experienced and critical eye, Colorado for 1897 included. He quotes from Grand Master Roe's address his remarks concerning the status and legality of Mexican Masonry. The business of the session is concisely noted with no intimation of dissent.

Bro. Singleton at the end of his Report reviews the subject of "Negro Masonry" at considerable length, and reaches the conclusion that it is without sanction of any legal authority.

John H. Small, Grand Master; Wm. R. Singleton, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND.

Quarterlies, September, 1898; March and June, 1899.

The proceedings of the Mother Grand Lodge, and those of some of the English colonies, are among the driest and most unattractive that come under our notice. The grandiloquent style in which all matters of legislation are discussed, whether of any great moment or not,

are amusing to the American reader, who is wont to drive straight at the mark without too much circumlocution.

At the Quarterly held at Freemason's hall, London, September 7, 1898, R. W. William W. B. Beach, Provincial Grand Master for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, presided as Grand Master.

The articles of recognition of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, signed by the two Grand Masters and attested by the Grand Secretaries, were presented and unanimously ratified. We quote from the ten articles the following, from which it will be seen that the jurisdiction may be divided in its allegiance, should any of the Lodges so elect:

3. Authority is given to all Lodges at present holding under the Grand Lodge of England, to meet and decide in open Lodge, whether or not they desire to tender their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, such meeting to be specially convened on not less than twenty-one days' notice, for the purpose of determining this question, and no other business save that, and, if requisite, of disposing of the assets and property of the Lodge, shall be considered at that meeting.

A majority of two-thirds in number of the brethren present, shall be required to enable the Lodge to tender its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand. All other questions at the meeting shall be decided by a majority of the brethren present, in the usual way.

9. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England will consider any district in which fewer than three Lodges may continue under their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England to be *ipso facto* dissolved, but (subject hereto) the Lodges under the English Constitution, both private and the District Grand Lodges, will continue as at present, and remain unaffected by this recognition.

10. All brethren who shall continue members of Lodges under the English Constitution shall be fully recognized by the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, and no brother shall incur any Masonic censure by reason of his adhering to either allegiance, or of any part he may have taken on either side in the formation or establishment of the new Grand Body.

The following resolution was subsequently adopted:

RECOGNITION OF NEW GRAND LODGES IN BRITISH TERRITORIES.

"That in order to better insure the preservation of the rights and privileges of minorities, and to prevent subsequent disputes, Grand Lodge respectfully suggests and prays that the Most Worshipful the Grand Master may be pleased to command that Lodge

warrants shall not be cancelled until the expiration of three calendar months from the date of receipt of such warrants by the Grand Secretary."

At the Quarterly, March 1, 1899, the Prince of Wales was re-elected Grand Master for the twenty-fifth time.

The satisfaction felt by the Grand Lodge of England over the restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru, was set forth in a series of resolutions to be transmitted to that Grand Body and also to all Grand Lodges with which the Grand Lodge of England is in communication and to all Lodges holding under it, to be read at the first meeting after their receipt by the latter, and entered upon the minutes.

At the annual Grand Festival on April 26, 1899, M. W. William Archer, Earl Amherst, Pro Grand Master, presided. M. W. John C. Smith, P. G. M. of Illinois, was among the visitors.

The new officers were duly invested and installed.

In the evening a banquet was provided, which was very largely attended.

At the Quarterly on June 7, 1899, we find matters only of local importance.

FLORIDA.

Seventieth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master James M. Hilliard, after words of welcome, refers to the late war with Spain and, while rejoicing in the great victory achieved, sounds a note in the minor key over the loss of those who will come not back, and there is gloom and sadness in the hearts and homes of many of their brethren.

He refers in loving yet mournful phrase to the sad inroads made by death in the ranks of Past Grand Lodge officers, four of whom had been called to answer the dread summons, viz.:—Past Grand Masters W. A. McLean and H. J. Stewart, Past Junior Grand Warden A. L. Williams and Past Grand Standard Bearer E. A. Wilson. He includes his edicts suspending and restoring fraternal relations with Peru.

He granted one dispensation for a new Lodge. Five Lodges surrendered their charters.

He granted forty-six special dispensations, thirteen of which were to confer degrees out of regular order, in most cases to furnish material for the exemplification of the work, either at district conventions or official visits of District Deputies.

He refused to grant dispensations for Military Lodges.

He embodies in his address the reports of fourteen District Deputies, being all but three, which show a fair degree of prosperity.

He submits four decisions which were in accordance with Masonic law. A Lodge having rejected a petitioner, again received his petition and elected him in less than four months thereafter, and conferred the E. A. degree four months later. He held that as it was an error of the Lodge and not the candidate, the Lodge should pass and raise him, if there was no other objection.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Washington on "Negro Masonry," in his opinion, necessitated prompt action, and he had appointed a special committee, who subsequently presented a lengthy report with a resolution of non-intercourse, which was unanimously adopted.

He had recommended decided action on the "liquor question" at the last annual, but the Jurisprudence Committee reported unfavorably, leaving the matter to the discretion of the particular Lodges. He again urges action, being more convinced than ever of its necessity. We quote the following, which is the most forcible argument we have seen presented. He says:

Let me cite you to one instance. A certain Lodge in this jurisdiction allowed one of its members to engage in the business (do not know whether or not he was made a Mason while engaged in the business). The Lodge was located in a small place, and the bar-room soon became the public loafing place and headquarters for all parties, and soon the members of the Lodge began to frequent this place. At last one of the members was gradually weaned away from his wife, home and little ones, although she had made frequent appeals to the brother running the rum-mill to stop selling her husband drinks, he persisted in doing so, and finally the result was ruination and death, caused by rum sold to the Mason by a Mason; his home broken up, his once happy wife and little ones broken-hearted.

After his death, the members in order to testify to their devotion to this departed brother, went to his home to attend the burial services. As they approached the home, they were met by the broken-hearted widow, and asked why they had come?

When told that they had come to bury her husband, she looked in horror and said: "No, you have killed him but you shall not bury him." They returned to their Lodge room without attending the funeral of the brother that one of their members had killed.

And this is not the only case, brethren; many and many poor unfortunate women, and hundreds of helpless children have felt the want of bread, caused by this cursed evil, and now I ask you in all candor, can we as Masons, setting ourselves up as living examples, leave such an important question unsettled?

The Grand Lodge evidently thought not, in view of the terrible arraignment cited above, and adopted the following resolution reported by the Jurisprudence Committee:

Resolved, That the liquor traffic is demoralizing in its effects, has been productive of great evil, misery and suffering and has caused the downfall of many Brother Masons; therefore, the Particular Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction are advised and instructed not to accept the petitions of those engaged in it when they apply for admission to our Order.

The Grand Master recommended the restoration of the Report on Correspondence, the printing of which had been discontinued for several years, believing the money expended for such a purpose well spent.

Bro. R. H. Weller, Grand Orator, delivered a forcible address in line with present conditions, and urging the brethren to be "men of the time" and to perform their duties as citizens and Masons.

The Grand Lodge contributed forty-five dollars to the Washington Memorial.

The recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium and the Grand Dieta were deferred pending further investigation.

A brother having asked which of the three Lodges in the United States of Colombia he could lawfully visit, the Grand Lodge, through its Committee on Correspondence, recommended the one that derives its authority from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, until fuller knowledge was had concerning the others.

No Report on Correspondence.

Silas B. Wright, DeLand, Grand Master; Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

One Hundred and Twelfth Annual, October, 1898.

The address of Grand Master James W. Taylor is a lengthy document, embodying his edicts and correspondence with foreign jurisdictions, and yet omitting nothing of value to his own brethren. With words of warm affection for the old familiar faces of the "Fathers in Masonry," he extends a special welcome to those who meet in Grand Lodge for the first time and upon whom the labors of the former must soon devolve.

He pays an eloquent tribute to the memory of Past Deputy Grand Master William Abram Love.

He submits a list of eight decisions, one of which was amended and one disapproved, and the rest approved.

He had granted two dispensations for new Lodges.

He had refused to grant dispensations for Army Lodges, having had experience with such, but he had notified all parties concerned that he would grant dispensation to any Lodge to confer the degrees out of time on any worthy volunteer.

Subsequently he consented to the establishment of "an Army Lodge at Chickamauga, to take in Vermonters only," at the request of the Grand Master of Vermont.

Masonic ceremonies for corner-stone laying were in demand, he having issued twelve special dispensations to brethren to act as his proxy. The structures were six Masonic halls, two churches, two court houses, one public school and a Confederate monument.

He had issued an edict severing Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru for having removed the Holy Bible from its altars. Upon receipt of information that the obnoxious decree had been abrogated, fraternal relations were restored.

Under the instructions of the Grand Lodge at its last annual session, the Grand Master had made careful investigation of the status of Mexican Masonry and convinced himself that the Grand Dieta was all right, and had entered into fraternal relations with that Grand Body. His action in the matter was approved by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge established fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of Belgium, and refused to recognize the Grand Orient of Portugal for the reason set forth by the committee, that it was more "rotten" than the Grand Orient of France.

The special committee to investigate the financial condition of the Grand Lodge presented a detailed account of membership, income and expenditure from 1883 to 1897 inclusive. The membership increased from 9,759 in 1883 to 18,183 in 1897. Income in 1883 was \$13,483.28, and in 1897 \$19,255.75. The mileage and per diem in 1883 were \$7,823.70, and in 1897 \$12,382.30. The ordinary expenses in 1883 were \$2,796.60, in 1897 about \$5,000.00. Since 1895, by reason of extraordinary expenses, a debt had been created which in 1897 reached \$6,601.20. This had been reduced by \$1,600.00. The committee proposed certain amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws, which were adopted, thereby reducing annual expenses, and provided for the extinguishment of the indebtedness. The mileage of members was reduced to five cents per mile each way by the nearest traveled route, and the per diem fixed at \$4.00 per day instead of \$3.00.

During the session the members of the Grand Lodge paid a visit to the beautiful monument erected to the memory of their late Grand Secretary, A. M. Wolihin.

From the statistics we glean the following: Number of Lodges, 423; membership, 18,611; net gain for the year, 428.

The Report on Correspondence was again written by Bro. W. S. Ramsay. As it is his twelfth, it is such as one might expect from his long experience. Colorado for 1897 has a review of two pages, in which Grand Master George W. Roe's address has brief notice and three of his decisions quoted without comment. Bro. Johnson's oration is styled "quite scholarly and ingenious" and he commends its perusal to the brethren.

Referring to the Washington Memorial service, originally proposed by Colorado, he says: "They have every reason to congratulate themselves on the success of their most laudable undertaking."

W. A. Davis, Macon, Grand Master; W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

Thirty-first Annual, September, 1898.

The Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master both being absent, the former having left the jurisdiction in May and the later being ill, the duties of the office of Grand Master devolved upon the Senior Grand Warden, George H. Storer.

The address of Grand Master George M. Waterhouse was read by the Grand Secretary.

After words of congratulation to the brethren upon the peace and harmony prevailing, he has the mournful announcement to make of the deaths of Bros. Charles C. Stevenson, Grand Secretary and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence; James H. Bush, P. J. G. W., and Samuel Weiler, P. Grand Master, to all of whose memories tributes are paid.

Eight decisions which were submitted were approved.

He devotes considerable space to the subject of "Non-Attendance," and believes in making the Lodge attractive when there is no work, by rehearsing the ritual, reading Masonic history, discussion of Grand Lodge reports, etc., etc.

The acting Grand Master's address contains a concise record of his official acts, which had been few and of a local nature.

Bro. Theo. W. Randall, appointed Grand Secretary upon the death of Bro. Stevenson, presented a report covering full details of the work of his office.

The Grand Lecturer did not visit any of the subordinate Lodges, as no appropriation was made for that purpose. The same plan of instruction as that of the preceding year was pursued, namely, the holding of a School of Instruction prior to the annual communication of the Grand Lodge. This school was in session four days, and some sixteen Lodges were represented and twelve were not. He recommends the dividing of the jurisdiction into six districts, Deputy Grand Lecturers to be required to procure a certificate of proficiency from the Grand Lecturer, and \$350 to be appropriated to be used by the Grand Lecturer in carrying out the plan adopted by the Grand Lodge. The recommendations

were adopted and \$200 appropriated for the services of the Grand Lecturer. The expenses of the District Deputies in attending a Lodge of Instruction are to be met by the levy annually of a special tax of thirty cents per member to create a District Deputy Fund. The amendment to the Penal Code concerning those in arrears for dues, quoted by us last year, was adopted.

Past Grand Master Fred G. Mock was appointed to prepare the Report on Correspondence, in place of his own appointee, Bro. Stevenson, deceased. Bro. Mock has no occasion to offer an apology for his first report, having had editorial experience which enabled him to mount the tripod and grasp the situation of affairs at once. Colorado for 1897 is concisely reviewed within the limits of a page, in which Grand Master Roe's address and decisions and the business of the session are tersely reviewed.

George H. Storer, Idaho Falls, Grand Master; Theo. W. Randall, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

Fifty-ninth Annual, October, 1898.

Grand Master Edward Cook prefaces his address with patriotic sentiments and reflections in connection with the late war with Spain. We quote these words:

In this new progress, as is eminently fitting, our own Craft has had its share. No man can kneel at our altars and learn the lessons of "brotherly love, relief and truth" there taught and remain deaf to the cry of oppression and want. With senses ever alert to the "sign of distress," with feet ever willing to go on "mercy's errands," and with hearts ever brave to "answer and obey," the Fraternity were prompt to respond to the call to arms for

"War is honorable

In those whose swords an iron barrier are

Between the lawless spoiler and the weak."

And so most of our more than seven hundred Lodges have had at least one member in the field, and these "heroes in the strife" have had the moral and material support of the more than fifty-three thousand brethren who remained at home.

Nor has the Grand Lodge been left without its representative at the front. One of our principal officers, the Senior Grand Warden, was among the first to respond to the call and to give his trained and valuable services. With him are many brethren

whose names have honorable place in our records, and whose loyalty and zeal in the cause of liberty and justice are equaled only by their devotion to the principles of our institution.

He pays fitting tribute to the honored dead of his own and those of sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Three dispensations only were granted for new Lodges.

Three corner-stones were laid, two in person and one by proxy, the proposed structures being a public library, high school and city hall respectively.

In response to his appeal to the Lodges on behalf of the brethren who suffered in the dreadful flood which overwhelmed the city of Shawneetown, \$2,069.47 was contributed.

Five schools of instruction had been held and they were well attended. He says the excellent system of instruction adopted years ago has proved most satisfactory. Under the head of "Work" he calls attention to the tendency to add "frills" and says:

In a few instances, however, I have been saddened and discouraged to see evidences of an attempt to improve upon, enlarge, ornament and spectacularize the ceremonies. In most cases of this kind it has only been necessary to call attention to the unwarranted character of these practices to insure their suppression promptly and cheerfully.

A few have shown a disposition to persist, and to these it should be said that the use of expensive robes and the introduction of uniforms, military drills, stage settings, theatrical scenes, inappropriate music, and other appliances and paraphernalia are things unknown to Ancient Craft Masonry, and foreign to our ceremonies as authoritatively taught and practiced at our schools.

We quote the conclusion of his address:

The greatest conquests are those of the spirit, the greatest hero, he whose strength, like Sir Galahad's, is "as the strength of ten because his heart is true." The conflict of the spirit is eternal, and we need not lose heart because its triumphs are not immediately complete.

Gains of character are permanent, bearing us little by little nearer the "perfect day," turning seeming failure into real success, transforming trials into blessings, and bringing the "further light" in the later days.

"Grow old along with me,

The best is yet to be

The last of life for which the first was made;

Our times are in His hand

Who saith: "A whole I planned,

Youth shows but half: trust God, see all, nor be afraid."

Not to individual souls alone belong these inspiring words, but to souls gathered in human brotherhood. Our own brotherhood has passed from the good time when life lies in anticipation to the better time when life is in fulfillment. Let us then go boldly forward, thankful for a glorious past, and trustfully and prayerfully confident of a yet more glorious future.

The oration by M. W. Bro. John C. Smith, Grand Orator, who took for his subject "Freemasonry Universal," was a grand and inspiring effort, and one which reflects credit upon our distinguished brother and also upon his Grand Lodge.

The question being asked of the Grand Master in open session as to whether there was any short form of work and as to the meaning of a certain section of the G. L. By-Laws, the following decision was rendered and approved by the Grand Lodge:

There is no short form of work. Section 3, Article 18, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, means that the explanatory parts of the Entered Apprentice degree, the second section of the Fellow Craft degree, the historical account in the Master Mason's degree, and the charge in each degree may be given to more than one candidate at the same time, but all other parts of the degrees must be given in full to each and every candidate separately.

Lodge trials must be expensive affairs in our sister Grand Jurisdiction, judging from the bills presented by Tyrian Lodge. Among items to be investigated was rent of hall, \$105; transcript of evidence, etc., 2,560 folios, \$395.50. With the labor attending twelve nights consumed in the hearing, the Lodge seems to have come to the conclusion that a little refreshment was in order and governed themselves accordingly. But the bills of \$18.00 for cigars and \$7.50 for ice cream, which they had incurred, were not allowed.

We have refrained from quoting and commenting upon many matters in the proceedings, that we may give space to the conclusion of the special report of M. W. Bro. Joseph Robbins upon "Recognized, Recognizable and Other Governing Bodies," prepared in accordance with the resolutions adopted last year, asking for such information. It is as follows:

In submitting the following lists we have had reference to the originally lawful character of the bodies named, and also to the question whether they have since set up any conditions or distinctions as tests of admission thereto not recognized by the

charges of a Freemason, and which would consequently prevent the Masons of Illinois from meeting them upon the level of a perfect equality whether in the governing or constituent Lodges.

Recognized Grand Lodges—Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, British Columbia, California, Canada, Colorado, Connecticut, Cuba, Delaware, District of Columbia, England, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Indian Territory, Iowa, Ireland, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Manitoba, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New South Wales, New York, New Zealand, North Carolina, North Dakota, Nova Scotia, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Rhode Island, Scotland, South Australia, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Victoria, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

To this list should be added Tasmania, the conditions having long been ripe for the recognition of that Grand Lodge. Recognition has only waited upon their formal request therefor, and is herewith recommended.

The English District Grand Lodges and the Scotch and Irish Provincial Grand Lodges existing in the British colonies, or other open territory, are included in the recognition of the parent bodies.

Grand Lodges known to have originally derived their Masonry wholly or in part from lawful sources, and which in the present state of our knowledge it is deemed expedient neither to accept nor reject as lawful members of the Masonic body—The three Prussian Grand Lodges—The Three Globes, the Grand National Lodge of Germany, and the Royal York of Friendship, at Berlin; and the Grand Lodges of Concord (Zur Eintracht), at Darmstadt; Eclectic Union, Frankfurt; Saxony, Dresden; The Sun (Zur Sonne), Bayreuth; The Netherlands, the Hague; National, of Egypt, Cairo. Also the Lodges composing "The Free Association of Five Independent Lodges in Germany." viz.: Minerva, of the Three Palms, and Baldwin of the Linden, both at Leipzig; Archimedes of the Three Tracing Boards, Altenburg; Carl of the Wreath of Rue, Hildburghausen; Archimedes of the Eternal Union, Gera.

The following bodies are deemed to be without authority in Symbolic or Craft Masonry and the members of their obedience ineligible to visit Lodges in Illinois—Grand Lodge of Alpina, St. Gallen, Switzerland; Grand Orient of Argentine Republic, Buenos Ayres; Grand Orient of Belgium, Brussels; Grand Orient of Brazil, Rio Janeiro; Grand Orient of Chili, Valparaiso; National Grand Lodge of Denmark, Copenhagen; Grand Orient of France, Paris (*interdict*); Grand Orient of Greece, Athens; Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary, Budapest; Grand Lodge of Hamburg, Hamburg (*interdict*); Grand Orient of Italy, Rome; Grand Lodge of Luxemburg; Grand Symbolic Diet of Mexico, its constituent Grand Lodges and all other Grand Lodges in that country; Grand Lodge of Norway, Christiania; United Grand Orient of Lusitania (Portugal), Lisbon; Grand Lodge of Peru, Lima; Independent Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic, San Domingo; Grand Orient of Spain, Madrid; Grand Lodge of Spain,

Cadiz; Grand Lodge of Sweden, Stockholm; Grand Orient of Uruguay, Montevideo; Grand Orient of Venezuela, Caracas; and all supreme councils, or sovereign sanctuaries, or other powers however named, wherever situated, of whatever rite—excepting Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons—assuming to erect Lodges with authority to confer the degrees of Symbolic Masonry.

Your committee recommends the adoption of the resolutions appended to this report. Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH ROBBINS,
Committee on Correspondence.

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Tasmania having been regularly formed by the concurrent action of the Lodges having rightful authority in the premises, is hereby recognized as possessed of exclusive jurisdiction in that colony and cordially welcomed into the great family of Grand Lodges.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the Grand Lodges composing the German Grand Lodge League (*Grosslogen Bund*) have abdicated the authority to control their relations with other Grand Lodges and therefore can no longer treat with them upon an equal footing, it is hereby directed that the recognition heretofore accorded to the said German Grand Bodies, or any of them, as independent Grand Lodges, be withdrawn without prejudice to their authority within the circumscribed domain in which they still maintain the right of separate action, and that all correspondence heretofore existing and based upon such recognition, be discontinued.

M. W. Bro. John C. Smith moved to amend the first resolution as follows:

Insert after the word Tasmania, in the first line, the words "and Grand Lodge of Egypt;" also strike out the words "that colony" in the fourth line, and insert the words "their respective countries."

A motion was made to postpone the consideration of the amendment till the next annual, but the motion and amendment were both lost and the resolutions were adopted.

The issue as to legitimacy of Lodges deriving their authority from Grand Orients and Supreme Councils is thus sharply defined, so far as the Grand Lodge of Illinois is concerned.

But the question is still a live one and is far from being settled. There is great divergence of opinion among our American Grand Lodges, New York and Maine being the conspicuous file-leaders of those holding views not in accordance with those of Illinois. Bro. Drummond of Maine has concisely set forth his view of the matter in these words:—"A Lodge created by a Supreme Council in a country where, by the Masonic law there prevailing, it may be done, is just as lawful a Lodge, and its Masons

as regular Masons, as any to be found in Illinois or Maine."

Bro. Robbins holds tenaciously to the opinion that there is no legitimate Masonry that can not trace its descent from the Grand Lodge of England, and formulates his report in accordance therewith. He indicates no way by which the Masonry which has been disseminated in these many countries through other channels can be regularized. The lengthy list of Grand Bodies thus placed under the ban or deemed of doubtful character will shatter many a cherished ideal of the universality of Freemasonry.

Will the absolute abandonment of all control over Symbolic Lodges by Supreme Councils and Grand Orients in the countries cited by Bro. R. pave the way for their future recognition, or must there be sought other solution of this question of regularity?

It seems to us, in view of the fact that recognition is being accorded by our American Grand Lodges to quite a number of these foreign Grand Bodies, deemed by Bro. R. and the Grand Lodge of Illinois to be "without authority" or with "quasi authority," that some common agreement should be arrived at as speedily as possible to avoid future complications. As the matter now stands, American Masonry is being involved in a hopeless tangle. For instance, a foreign brother upon arriving in New York City is warmly greeted as such, the Grand Body from which he hails being recognized in that jurisdiction, but upon reaching Chicago he is given the icy stare and told the sooner he covers the distance between the fourteenth story of their Temple and the pavement below, the better. Without entering into any argument pro or con, we leave the subject for the careful consideration of the writers of the guild and all Masons who are interested in the realization of the Lodge Universal among all peoples and in all lands.

Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins essays a Report on Correspondence in topical form along the path blazed out by the late Bro. Fellows. That he has made a success in this new field is at once evident. Colorado has notice under many heads, notably, "As others see us," "Cipher rituals," "Mexican Masonry," "Non-affiliation and non-payment of dues," etc.

Edward Cook, Chicago, Grand Master; J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

Seventy-eighth Annual, May, 1899.

The Grand Lodge is in its eighty-second year, though it has held but seventy-eight annual communications. Grand Master Simeon S. Johnson reports prosperity as an actuality and future prospects bright, and says there are borne upon the rolls over 30,000 active Masons. He has a passing reference to the late war with Spain and the conclusion of peace. While unable to report the number of Indiana brethren who had fallen in the struggle, he would have placed on record a tribute to their memory, for their devotion to their country and their noble self-sacrifice.

Five dispensations for new Lodges were granted.

He submits a list of thirty-seven decisions, which were approved.

He reports having refused a dispensation for an Army Lodge, giving his reasons at some length.

From letters received he had learned of the unlawful use of "ciphers," officers in some instances making use of same while "at work," but—"tell it not in Gath"—candidates for the Third had been put in possession of them to brush the cobwebs from the convolutions of their brains and permit the gray matter to sally forth and seize the words of "truth and soberness," components of the work.

Upon his recommendation the Grand Lodge issued an edict against the use of ciphers, keys or guides.

He recommended an appropriation for a monument to Alexander A. Meek, their second Grand Master, who, as the "oldest Past Master," presided at the permanent organization of the Grand Lodge at Madison, January 12, 1818, and was at that time elected Deputy Grand Master. He was not only a distinguished Mason, but a soldier of the war of 1812, and had filled many official positions in the civil and military service of the state. The Grand Lodge subsequently appropriated \$300 for this purpose.

He recommends the restoration of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, and the severing of the same with the Grand Lodge of Washington for its ac-

tion regarding "Negro Masonry." The Grand Lodge acted accordingly.

It having come to his knowledge that some Lodges were advancing candidates to the second and third degrees without suitable proficiency, he appointed nine Special Deputies to visit and inspect the work of the Lodges in the more populous localities. From their reports the best results had been attained, fresh interest had been awakened and the proficiency exhibited by the candidates was most creditable.

He would like to see a cheap edition of the Correspondence Report issued and a copy placed in the hands of every member of the fraternity in that jurisdiction.

The committee to whom the matter was referred believed that if a more concerted effort was made to circulate the reports among the members, much more good would be accomplished. They cite as an instance public libraries, where one book is taken out and read again and again, until hundreds have become familiar with its contents. Three or four copies of the Report are furnished each Lodge, and if, instead of being consigned to some dark corner of the Secretary's desk, they were circulated among the members, the latter would become more intelligent and proficient in their duties.

A Lodge having affiliated a "Clandestine Mason" from one of the clandestine Ohio Lodges, the Grand Lodge passed an edict requiring dimitts issued by Lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions to bear the certificate of the Grand Secretary thereof, certifying to the legitimacy of the Lodge issuing the same.

The Grand Lodge took the initiative to further the spread of intelligence, by voting to furnish a copy of Smythe's "Indiana Masonic Law and Forms of Procedure" to each Lodge, and also a copy of McDonald's "History of Freemasonry in Indiana," both free of charge, and to be furnished to all Lodges hereafter organized.

A committee of three was appointed to attend the Washington Centennial Anniversary, their expenses to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge affirmed the suspension of a brother for forty-nine years, by his Lodge, for having expressed the opinion that the Holy Bible was a fraud and written by designing men, and that no part of it was written by inspiration.

An amendment to the General Regulations reducing the minimum fee for the degrees to fifteen dollars, was not adopted.

The Report on Correspondence is from the able pen of Past Grand Master Nicholas R. Ruckle, and covers 238 pages, 80 of which are devoted to the subject of "Negro Masonry" in connection with the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington. Three pages are devoted to a review of Colorado for 1898. The decisions of Grand Master Tucker and his official acts are summarized, but without comment, while the business features of the session are well preserved in their essential points.

William Geake, Fort Wayne, Grand Master; William H. Smythe, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Twenty-fifth Annual, August, 1898.

Grand Master James A. Scott takes a retrospective glance at the progress of Masonry since the organization of the Grand Lodge, a quarter of a century ago. From three Lodges the number had increased to upwards of ninety. The sparsely settled territory of that day had been widely populated, and the spirit of progress was abroad in the land.

He refused to grant a dispensation to receive a petition from a man who could not write. In approving same the Committee on Law and Usage makes it cover "read or write." The Grand Lodge refused to adopt the report of the committee on this point, as under their Constitution a petitioner who possesses the necessary qualifications may sign his name with his mark.

He submits a list of nineteen decisions, which were approved with one exception, namely, the following: That a waiver of jurisdiction must be unanimous and can be granted by the usual voting sign, or by unanimous consent.

This was disapproved by the Committee on Law and Usage, who interpreted the law as follows:—A vote on waiver of jurisdiction must be by secret ballot and unanimous.

Decision No. 11, which was approved, will be questioned as to its correctness and accordance with the true spirit of Masonry. It was as follows:

No. 11: A brother claims that the Bible teaches that it is wrong to belong to the Masonic institution and that his connection therewith endangers his prospect for Heaven, and applies for a dimit, would you grant it?

Answer: No. Our Law, Page 38, Constitution, Article XVI, says: "Whenever a brother applies for a dimit and his dues are fully paid and no charges are preferred against him * * * * the dimit shall be granted to him by order of the W. M. without a vote of the Lodge." But when a brother applies for a dimit upon the grounds stated in your letter it is your duty to order charges to be preferred against him at once, and it is the duty of your Lodge to either expel or indefinitely suspend him. Your Lodge could not afford to recommend such a Mason to the Craft, wherever dispersed about the globe, as a true Craftsman.

The committee, in approving of the decision, comment as follows:

We approve of decision No. 11, but would suggest that for the benefit of the Craft that facts were about as follows: "Six members of the Lodge attended a meeting and in open Lodge announced that the Bible taught that it was wrong to belong to the Masonic institution and would endanger their prospects for Heaven, and demanded their dimits, their dues being paid." The Master directed their removal from the Lodge room and ordered the Junior Warden to prefer charges, refusing to grant dimits under the circumstances. The Craftsmen were tried, convicted and expelled.

It is not contended that the brethren who were thus summarily expelled were guilty of any crime or violation of Masonic obligation, except *change of religious belief*, upon experiencing which they at once make a frank and honest avowal, and request their dimits, as the only way open to them for an honorable withdrawal. With what result—their request is denied, they are virtually branded as criminals and thrust forth into the world as Masonic outcasts. This is not an overdrawn picture, and it is not one that is pleasing to contemplate.

Masons are sometimes expelled for expressing a disbelief in the Bible or for atheistic utterances. But these expelled brethren believed in God, the Bible and immortality. They had been led to wrongly interpret the meaning of the language of the Great Light, and this was the sum of their offending. These half dozen brethren had attended a meeting, as it appears, probably of the sensational, soul-harassing, brain-befuddling variety, and be-

ing wrought up by the frenzy and excitement of the occasion, their better judgment was obscured and they were persuaded that Masonry was a stumbling block in the way of their future salvation.

What was the plain duty of the Lodge in view of these facts? Was it not to treat their misguided opinions with commiseration and to regard these brethren as under the spell of religious fervor and hallucination? The best way to minister to "these minds diseased," if we choose to so regard them, was to grant the limits, express regret at their withdrawal and indulge in the hope of their return in the near future. That was the kind of "medicine talk" which the occasion demanded. Had it been indulged in, the probabilities are that when the excitement of the moment had worn off and calm reason had again asserted itself, these brethren in repentant mood would have been found knocking at the portal for readmission.

While the Grand Master urges the importance of a Masonic Home, in the opinion of the Grand Lodge the time has not yet arrived for its establishment. The funds heretofore collected are to be loaned out and set apart for this purpose.

The sum of \$56.50 was collected for the benefit of Bro. William M. Simms, their Grand Tiler, who enlisted as a "Rough Rider" and who was severely wounded and was at that time in a hospital in New York.

Bro. Henry M. Furman, Grand Orator, formerly of Colorado, delivered a very interesting oration on "The Symbolism of the Corner Stone." Bro. F. was elected Junior Grand Warden at this session.

Thirteen Lodges report having forty-nine orphans under their care.

The Committee on Necrology pay a beautiful tribute to the memories of two of the heroes of the late war, Capt. Allyn K. Capron of the "Rough Riders," and Private Walter C. Cox of the Tenth U. S. Infantry. The former was killed at the head of his troop at the battle of La Quasina; his dying words were: "Boys, don't mind me, go on with the fighting." The latter was wounded on July 2d, 1898, before Santiago de Cuba, dying on the Nation's birthday.

No Report on Correspondence.

Henry C. Nash, Antlers, Grand Master; Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka, Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Twenty-sixth Annual, August, 1899.

Grand Master H. C. Nash opens his address with patriotic reflections on the late war with Spain.

He submitted thirteen decisions, which, after slight amendments in one or two instances, were approved.

He granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

He very properly refused to grant a dispensation "to confer the Master Mason's degree out of time on two candidates in order to prepare them for the Chapter degrees."

He was in receipt of the resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Washington rescinding its former action. The state of mind in which they left him after their perusal is best stated in his own words:

They attempt and do rescind a part of the work done at their communication on last year, but your Grand Master is in about as much of a fog in trying to construe these last resolutions as that memorable committee was in trying to solve the subject of negro Masonry in the first place.

I especially invite your attention to Resolution 10, which reads as follows:

He quotes it in full, but we have no room for it in this connection. It will be found under Washington.

The Grand Lodge by unanimous vote elected Bro. J. S. Morrow, as one of its oldest Masons, to represent it at the Washington Memorial observance.

Bro. James E. Humphrey, Grand Orator, delivered a very able address, largely of an historical character.

We gather the following items from the statistics: Net gain, 143; present membership, 3,625.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported that the Grand Lodge of Washington having receded from its former position, they asked and were relieved from further consideration of the subject.

No Report on Correspondence.

P. B. Arthur, Leon, Grand Master; Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

Fifty-sixth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master Crom. Bowen in his opening remarks alludes to the fact that at their meeting one year ago "the echo of Dewey's guns was still reverberating around the globe." He says, while peace has been declared, "the necessary results of the war, the bringing of a semi-barbarous people within the beneficent influence of our own country, is, he regrets to say, not yet fully accomplished." He has hopes, however, that the end is near at hand.

He reports peace and harmony and a slight numerical increase in membership. The change in their Code in reference to dimitts, adopted two years ago, has resulted in serious loss; nine hundred members have dimitted and only five hundred affiliated during the same time. He is not prepared, however, to recommend a return to the former law repealed in 1897. He is opposed to compulsory membership, believing that twenty-five men wedded to the principles and tenets of Masonry are better than fifty with no conception or love for the same.

While favorable to the cultivation of the social side of Masonry, he could not give his consent to the organization of Masonic clubs to meet in ante-rooms or banquet halls, with billiard and pool tables, card tables, etc., as a means of attraction to the Lodge. Those so influenced would prove of little benefit to Masonry.

He had issued an edict re-establishing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He had appointed a special committee to investigate and report upon the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning "Negro Masonry."

He makes tender mention of the death of Bro. S. C. Dunn, Past Grand Treasurer.

He declined to grant a dispensation for a Military Lodge in Manila, after full investigation.

Three dispensations for new Lodges were granted.

Four corner stones were laid by proxy, the proposed structures being two Masonic halls, a church and a high school building.

Having in 1888 provided in their Code for the resignation of the Master of a Lodge, he had been confronted with the question whether a Master who served two or

three months and then resigned, was a full-fledged Past Master and entitled to receive a Past Master's jewel. He decided that he was, under their law, though with some reluctance, since a Lodge, if so disposed, might elect several Masters during the year, thus securing for them the honors which were only intended as a reward for faithful and continued service.

The reports of Bro. T. S. Parvin, Grand Secretary and Grand Librarian, are full and complete as to detail, while that of Grand Librarian has a literary flavor most agreeable to all lovers of books.

The report of the special committee on "Negro Masonry" and action of Grand Lodge of Washington, presented a full and explicit review of the question in its historical and legal aspects, with the earnest hope that the Grand Lodge of Washington, upon further investigation, would rescind its former action.

The Committee on Washington Memorial Observance recommended that the Lodges of that jurisdiction should hold appropriate memorial services on December 14th, 1899, such meetings to be open to all Masons, their families and invited guests; the Master to select some Master Mason to deliver an address on the life of George Washington, and especially his Masonic character and services. The report was adopted.

Statistical information gleaned from the proceedings is as follows: Number of Lodges, 486; net increase of members, 369; total membership, 28,430.

Bro. J. C. W. Coxe presents the Report on Correspondence, which is a sufficient guarantee of its appetizing contents. Colorado for 1898 receives a concise and fraternal review. Grand Master Tucker's address, he says, "shows a masterful administration," while his decisions are "all good and sufficient." All the business of the session is concisely summarized and brought within the limits of a page and a half, and yet nothing essential is omitted. In his conclusion he reiterates his former opinion concerning the hasty recognition of the Grand Dieta by his Grand Lodge. He intimates that "the expedients resorted to in order to secure such recognition rival Bret Harte's Heathen Chinee 'for ways that are dark and for tricks that are vain.'"

Thomas Lambert, Sabula, Grand Master; Theodore S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

Forty-third Annual, February, 1899.

A delegation of distinguished visitors from Missouri, headed by Grand Master Ethelbert F. Allen, were cordially welcomed and received with Grand Honors.

Grand Master Maurice L. Stone refers to the fact that the Grand Lodge had assembled in its birthplace.

He especially inveighs against selfishness and urges the brethren to cultivate a noble generosity and a spirit of forgiveness. Quoting the language of another, he says:

"Abandon selfishness; cast it off with the dust you stamp from your feet at the door; leave it outside, don't carry it into the Lodge room. Believe as Moses believed, when told by the angel to 'put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground'—holy because it was a spot where the highest attributes were present—believe that the Lodge room is a place the divine attributes of charity and brotherhood have hallowed, and carry not into it any of the baser passions. Within the Lodge room should be love, peace, joy, benevolence, brotherhood—all the beauties of fraternal affection. Where these prevail in a Lodge, there is prosperity."

He has unstinted words of praise for the "Masonic Historical Registry" of that jurisdiction, which work has been planned and carried forward by their zealous Grand Secretary, Bro. Albert K. Wilson. We quote the following reference as to its scope:

It is the only Masonic Grand Lodge Registry of its kind in existence. A number of Grand Jurisdictions possess an Historical Registry arranged in an alphabetical form by Lodges, from which it is possible to ascertain the Masonic history of any brother who was ever a member in the jurisdiction, providing the particular Lodge with which he was affiliated is indicated. Kansas, however, now possesses the only Masonic Registry in which the entire membership of the jurisdiction, past and present, is alphabetically arranged as a whole, and is consequently the only registry which can promptly and accurately answer such a query as: Was John Henry Smith ever a Mason in Kansas?

He recommends the resumption of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He had granted two dispensations for new Lodges.

He had in all instances granted dispensations to confer degrees out of time when the excuse given had been

"enlisted," believing that those who responded to their country's call to fight for humanity and their country's honor should enjoy special privileges.

He reports two decisions, which were approved.

He recommends an appropriation of \$200 to assist the Grand Lodge of Virginia in defraying the expenses of the Washington Centennial, and that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be sent as representatives of the Grand Lodge, and that an allowance be made to cover their expenses.

He has words of congratulation over the fact that they now have a Masonic Home in successful operation, which shelters fifteen aged brethren, three aged sisters and fourteen orphans.

He has the mournful announcement to make of the death of two Past Grand Masters, John M. Price and Henry C. Cook.

The Grand Secretary presents a full and detailed report, in which appears a graphic description of the registry system, with illustrations showing cabinet and registry cards. The missing data secured by his industry is really remarkable, and shows the great value of the system, which other Grand Lodges may in time adopt. His statistics show a net gain in membership of 215, the grand total reaching 20,103. The Lodges during the year expended \$7,288.21 for charitable purposes.

Bro. Lucius H. Perkins, Grand Orator, delivered a valuable address on the historical features of Masonry in answer to the scoffers and iconoclasts.

The Committee on Necrology presented their report and, in connection therewith, memorial services, interspersed with eulogies, music and song, in the nature of a Lodge of Sorrow.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted expressive of thanks and gratitude to the army and navy for their patriotic services, and deeply sympathizing with the friends and relatives of those who had fallen upon the field of duty.

Past Grand Master John C. Postlethwaite gleans from the proceedings of American and Foreign Grand Bodies a most readable Report on Correspondence. In his prefatory remarks he calls the roll of the members of the Guild with a pleasant reference to each, as follows:

In looking around the circle we see in our vision passing in successive review, the names of the members of the guild whose gigantic minds and powerful intellects have made their impress upon the Craft wheresoever dispersed. We gather inspiration from the musings in *Evening Shade*, by Davidson; refreshings from *Greenleaf*. Our legal store is illuminated by Drummond as the luminary rising in majestic power in the East. Our Masonic strength is renewed by the contributions of a Singleton; our vision cleared by the keenness of a Barlow; our energy aroused by a Coxe; calmed by the benign influence of Hedges; our zeal increased by the wise counsels of a Vincil and a Barkley. The comforting assurance of a Rugg; our numerical problems solved by an Anthony; our ardor enlivened by a Wait; our cheerfulness developed by the dulcet notes of Robbins; our patriotism stirred by a Ruckle; our charity incited by a Martin; our hope inspired by a Bird; and our faith made firm by Willet, and our Masonic knowledge increased by the contributions of each member of the guild in their individual force and power.

Colorado, for 1898, receives a review of five pages, two of which are devoted to the address and decisions of Grand Master Cromwell Tucker. Liberal extracts are made from his opening remarks and other features of the address and his letter to venerable brother Adna A. Treat quoted in full. He reproduces one of his decisions which was disapproved, with his comments thereon, as follows:

The committee failed to approve the following decision: "It is not proper for a Lodge, at a regular communication, to close on the third degree and resume labor on one of the preceding degrees. The closing on the third degree should not be done until the entire business and work of the evening is completed."

We believe that the Grand Master is in the main correct on the literal construction of the words "resume labor." If the Lodge is closed in form it has ceased from labor and can not "*resume labor*" without *opening* the Lodge in full form, which we admit may be done without violation of the work or Ancient Landmarks. Opening a Lodge, and resuming labor, are susceptible of different meaning.

He quotes from our Report what we have to say on the subjects of "Non-payment of dues" and "Patriotism."

Henry C. Loomis, Winfield, Grand Master; Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

Ninety-ninth Annual, October, 1898.

As frontispieces there is a portrait of Grand Master R. H. Thompson and a group picture of 200 children of the Masonic Home, appropriately entitled "Our Jewels," in which are seen the "Little Commandery," forty-five misses, representing the states of the Union, the Goddess of Liberty, Columbia and the Flag Girl. On the left of the group is "Uncle Sam," and on the right "Father Time," with his scythe. The steps of the Home afforded every opportunity for a most striking and effective picture.

The Grand Master opens his address with a patriotic allusion to the late war and the glorious victory which had been won. Under the head of "The Great Light," he discourses upon the recent action of the Grand Lodge of Peru in repudiating the edict of its former Grand Master.

He is very strong in his condemnation of the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington and announces the appointment of a special committee of three to make a report at that session.

He submits three decisions, one of which was disapproved. He decided that though a Master has the right to install his successor, yet in his absence and that of the S. W. the J. W. may call a Past Master to the chair who may install the Master-elect. The J. W. or S. W. (if Past Master) can either of them perform the ceremony in the absence of the Master. Decision was approved.

After full investigation he granted a dispensation to Kentucky Army Lodge No. 1, U. D.

He calls attention to the sale and use of improper and unauthorized books in that jurisdiction and recommends the adoption of a regulation fixing the penalty of expulsion for such offense.

Objection to advancement is carefully considered and in order to do justice to candidates, he suggests an amendment to the Constitution. Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence it lies over for action at the next annual.

He recommends that the Grand Lodge extend a welcome to the thousands of Masons who will visit Louis-

ville at the time of the Triennial Conclave in 1901, and that a suitable appropriation be made for the purpose.

The report of the special committee on "Negro Masonry" covers ten pages of the proceedings and is a full and exhaustive review. The accompanying resolution declaring non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington was adopted by unanimous vote.

The subscriptions for the Old Masons' Home have reached the sum of \$41,105.00, conditioned upon \$50,000 being subscribed. The Grand Lodge to subscribe \$1,000 a year for ten years to this fund, and renewed efforts are to be made by the committee to secure subscriptions in the hope that it may be ready for dedication and occupancy on the occasion of the Grand Lodge Centennial in 1900. This institution is to be established in connection with their Widows' and Orphans' Home, the pride of all Kentucky Masons.

Past Grand Master W. W. Clarke presents the Report on Correspondence in topical form. The subjects of Peru, Mexican Masonry and Negro Masonry occupy the greater portion of his space. Colorado has liberal notice under the heads of "Use of the Word Masonic," and "Antiquity of Masonry," as well as the reproduction of the Report on Necrology. Under the head of "Antiquity of Masonry," Bro. Jasper W. Johnson's oration is given entire.

James E. Wilhelm, Paducah, Grand Master; H. B. Grant, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

Eighty-seventh Annual, February, 1899.

Grand Master A. C. Allen reports that the Craft has made slow progress, owing to unfavorable conditions growing out of business depression, short crops, etc., so that the net gain reported is but four.

He announces the restoration of the Bible to its altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru. Later in the session, fraternal relations were resumed.

He presents the matter of the Washington Memorial Observance, postponed from last year, and hopes that the Grand Lodge will take action and be represented on that

occasion. Grand Lodge subsequently empowered Grand Master to provide for such participation as seemed proper.

He reviews at some length the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington on "Negro Masonry" and refers the matter to the Grand Lodge for its consideration. Later in the session fraternal relations were suspended until said Grand Lodge rescinds its action.

He decided that the word daughter includes the step-daughter of a Master Mason, where it occurs in the obligation.

We quote the following:

I also decided that a person who has only one foot is not physically qualified to receive the Masonic degrees. And, further, that this physical want of qualification can not be cured by the fact that the person has an artificial leg.

Both decisions were approved. It will be seen that Louisiana adheres to the old landmark regarding physical qualifications and, unlike Missouri, is not yet prepared to accept artificial limbs.

He recommends raising the per capita tax an additional dollar to enable the Grand Lodge to meet its obligations on the Masonic Temple property. The special committee approved the same in their report which was adopted, making per capita for present year \$2.00, for next three years 50 cents in addition to regular Grand Lodge dues of \$1.00.

The report of the Louisiana Relief Lodge for 1898 shows an expenditure of \$811.55 and expenses, mostly also for relief, \$347.70, making total \$1,159.25.

The Grand Lodges of New Zealand and Tasmania were recognized.

No Report on Correspondence.

A. C. Allen, Franklin, Grand Master; Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

One Hundred and Twelfth Annual, November, 1898.

Grand Master Thomas J. Shryock gives a most encouraging view of Masonic matters in that jurisdiction. Regarding the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington on the "Negro Masonry" question, he had submitted it to the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Bro. E. T. Schultz, who had prepared a conservative resolution admonishing the brethren of the Grand Lodge of Washington in kindly spirit and trusting for a reversal of their action.

He warmly recommends the participation of that Grand Lodge in the Washington Memorial Observance.

He says the wisdom of the Grand Lodge in requiring subordinate Lodges to have read the laws and regulations of that Grand Body is more than ever apparent, since for the second period of twelve months he had not been called upon to make a decision. He thinks the resolution should be amended, so that they should not be required to be read except at annual meetings, when there is the largest attendance. The Grand Lodge was of the same opinion and passed a resolution to that effect. He granted a dispensation for an Army Lodge to brethren of the First Maryland Regiment of Volunteers to be named Maryland Army Lodge, U. D. The brethren to whom the same was granted were all members of Maryland Lodges and thoroughly competent, one of the officers being Past Senior Grand Warden and another a Grand Inspector at the time he enlisted.

Five dispensations were granted to Lodges to lay corner stones, all being for churches, and three of them to be laid on Sunday.

He had the honor of laying the corner stone of the monument to Francis S. Key in person. It was a grand and inspiring occasion. We quote his eloquent remarks in this connection, as follows:

The laying of this corner stone was an important event in the Masonic history of this state and nation. Not only was it the province of your Grand Lodge to perform that function, because the immortal Key was a Marylander and the author of the stirring national anthem of the greatest people upon God's footstool; not only because this state furnished the incident, the scene and

occasion of his inspiration; not only because Maryland was his honored birth-place and the sacred repository of his bones, but because Freemasonry is the bulwark of human liberty on earth, the fountain-head of free institutions, and the very corner stone itself of the American republic—indeed, of the Anglo-Saxon race. It was peculiarly fitting, therefore, that the enduring shaft in honor of the memory of the immortal patriot should be placed in position by so ancient and eternal an institution—an institution to which, under the Providence of God, is due the emancipation of human thought and energy which made such a poet a possibility; to which belongs the credit of having kindled and kept alive the holiest and noblest aspirations of the human race; to which is due the victory over ignorance and the emancipation from superstition that opened the way for man's progress and the world's civilization.

"He is the freeman whom Truth makes free," and Freemasonry has been the repository of truths, which, fructifying through the ages, have produced a harvest of brotherhood and benevolence, which ripens and renews itself an hundred fold with each teeming and expanding century.

The erection of a monument to the memory of Francis Scott Key is the sign and harbinger of a people's appreciation. It indicates, in the face of reactionary prophecy and dogmatic pessimism, the onward march of republican development. American patriotism, intelligence and love of liberty are not retrograding, but going forward to higher effort and grander expansion. Key's monument will be, for centuries to come, the Mecca of a nation's pilgrimage and the magnetic centre of a grateful people's love and loyalty; and, under its enduring foundations, will appropriately and perpetually repose, beside the hallowed dust of the honored dead, the archives and records of an eternal Order, sealed in its corner stone, under the auspices and with the solemn ritual and benediction of the Grand Lodge of Maryland—the fitting tribute of a perpetual organization to a no less enduring memory.

From the address of P. G. M. John M. Carter on the memorable occasion we also extract the following:

It is a notable fact that the "Star Spangled Banner" remains to-day, after a lapse of eighty-four years, precisely as it was originally written. Even Mr. Key himself, in the thirty years of his after life, although he wrote an additional verse to "John Anderson, My Jo John," was content to leave his own production in its original perfection.

At the foot of this shaft will repose the ashes of a man who died more than half a century ago. He was neither king nor kaiser; no great military chieftain, nor yet the leader of the republic. His greatest deeds were in the interest of charity and mercy. His greatest ambition seemed to be to do his best duty to God and his fellow man. But, in the trying hours of that eventful night, his tongue was touched with a live coal from off the "altar." The lines he then wrote have burned into the hearts of succeeding generations. Little children, scarce able to comprehend the meaning of the words, are taught to sing the melody in the

schools throughout the land. Adult assemblages rise in their seats and cheer to the echo whenever the orchestra renders the air. Soldiers in battle take fresh courage and renew the faltering assault at the first strains of the music.

Generations will come and go. More illustrious men will be told of in history; genius, in prose and verse, will record in grander phrase of other deeds of valor, but as long as our nation survives, as long as the republic endures, as long as patriotism is taught as a virtue, as long as the English tongue is spoken, the name of Francis Scott Key will be held in cherished remembrance.

"And the Star Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Fraternal relations were resumed with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand was recognized.

Recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium was deferred pending fuller investigation.

Bro. Edward T. Schultz thanked the Grand Master for his appointment as chairman of the Committee on Correspondence for the thirteenth time, and asked to be relieved from further duty, in view of the loss of his eyesight. The Grand Master declined his request, believing that with the assistance of an amanuensis he could perform the duties as acceptably as heretofore. The Grand Lodge by unanimous vote sustained the Grand Master, and Bro. Schultz responded in a feeling manner and will endeavor to discharge the duties as heretofore. The Grand Lodge then unanimously adopted a resolution making him chairman emeritus of the Committee on Correspondence.

Bro. E. T. Schultz presented the Report on Correspondence, which was in the nature of a farewell, in which he gives his ideas on live subjects now before the Craft. It is one of the best topical reports, though all too brief, that has come under our notice. His views concerning "Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues," "Non-Affiliation," etc., are in line with our own. Having given so much space to Maryland, we are obliged to forego quoting them at this time, but may possibly have occasion to refer to them hereafter.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master; Jacob H. Medairy, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Quarterlies and Annual, 1898.

Quarterly Communication, June 8, 1898, was one of great importance, the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple in Boston being laid with impressive ceremonies.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand was recognized, and fraternal relations suspended with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

At the Quarterly held on December 14, 1898, Grand Master Charles C. Hutchinson delivered his annual address. This was the 165th Annual Communication. He had been industrious in the way of visitations, attending Lodge centennials, dedications, etc., etc. The Grand Lodge has 235 Lodges under its jurisdiction, including four in Chile and one in China. Not including Chile, the membership was 39,334, showing an increase of 849. The initiations decreased, however, 43.

The Committee on Grand Lodge of Washington and "Negro Masonry" presented their report, in which, after a succinct review of the question, they recommended the adoption of four resolutions protesting against the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington and fraternally demanding a speedy reconsideration of the same. The report was unanimously adopted.

The Grand Lodge unanimously accepted the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate in the Washington Memorial observance, and appropriated the sum of \$500 as a contribution towards the expenses of the anniversary.

The annual election was held at this communication. The total vote was 571, distributed as follows: 46 Grand Officers, 46 votes; 36 Permanent Members present, 36 votes; 163 Lodges represented, entitled to 489 votes.

The Stated Communication was held December 27, 1898, for the installation of officers and the celebration of the Grand Feast. The brethren proceeded to the banquet hall at 6:15 p. m. and were called to labor again at 10:15 p. m., when Grand Lodge was closed. Four solid hours of feasting and oratorical flights, the latter embalmed in printer's ink for the edification of the present and future generations. We have no desire to be over-critical as to the doings of other Grand Lodges, who are a law unto

themselves, but we have never been able to understand why the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has always ignored that important factor in the spread of Masonic intelligence—the Report on Correspondence. In the volume before us, 48 pages are devoted to speeches, addresses and toasts at the Grand Feast. Some years, probably 75 pages are required for this purpose. The 48 pages this year would permit a page review of the proceedings of 48 other Grand Jurisdictions, and we submit whether it would not have a more broadening effect upon the minds of the brethren than this annual surfeit of intellectual “goodies.” The brethren of Massachusetts seem to have surrounded themselves with a Chinese wall of polished oratory, gathered mostly from local quarries. Let us hope some brave soul will soon make a breach therein and let in a horde of ideas from outside “barbarians.” So mote it be.

Charles C. Hutchinson, Boston, Grand Master; Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

Fifty-fifth Annual, January, 1899.

The address of Grand Master James Bradley is a lengthy, yet well-considered one of over fifty pages, devoted to all matters of importance to the brethren of that jurisdiction. He refers to the late war with Spain, and says that the position taken by our country in regard to the downtrodden and oppressed of Cuba is one of the brightest pages of history.

Masonry has continued to progress, and the record of growth will compare favorably with other years.

He has the mournful announcement to make of the death of Past Grand Master Daniel Striker, to whose memory he pays a just tribute.

Dispensations were granted for two new Lodges.

He submits a list of eighteen decisions, all of which were approved. The most perplexing questions that confronted him were those relating to physical qualifications. He says their law upon the subject is not sufficiently explicit, and he hopes the Grand Lodge will give it special consideration in the near future.

Under the head of "Foreign Relations" he cites cases in Indiana and Colorado where Lodges accepted the rejected material of Michigan Lodges. We quote Colorado case and comment thereon, as follows:

The Colorado case is particularly entitled to a thorough investigation, as the papers show that Elmer R. Cowles applied in due form to Battle Creek Lodge No. 12, and was rejected, October 20th, 1885.

Under date of March 11th, 1893, he applied to Harmony Lodge No. 61, Denver, Colorado, and was accepted, although he stated in his application that he had previously applied in Battle Creek, Michigan.

On May 16th, 1896, Harmony Lodge No. 61 granted Elmer R. Cowles a dimit, and on December 8th, 1896, he petitioned A. T. Metcalf Lodge No. 419, at Battle Creek, for membership. This petition, together with all the papers, was referred to Battle Creek Lodge No. 12.

Under date of March 14th, 1898, the R. W. Grand Secretary writes that the Grand Lodge of Colorado does not, and never has, recognized the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction.

It may be that we have no right to criticise our sister Grand Jurisdictions for holding different views regarding the question of perpetual jurisdiction, still we can question their right to accept our rejected material and then send them back to where they were rejected, as full-fledged Masons, by a regulation forbidding any Lodge in this jurisdiction from accepting or recognizing these brothers as Masons, where the facts are as well known as they are in this case.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Washington regarding "Negro Masonry" and "Mexican Masonry" occupy several pages of his address.

From the Grand Secretary's report we learn that the net gain was 830; present membership, 40,387; active Lodges, 388.

Grand Lecturer A. M. Clark reports having held fifty-five Lodges of Instruction during the year, at which were present 365 W. M.'s, 211 S. W.'s, 181 J. W.'s, 380 Secretaries, 263 S. D.'s and 9,311 members.

The Grand Lodge voted to accept the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and will be represented at the Washington Memorial observance.

Fraternal relations were resumed with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, in the Colorado and Indiana cases, presented a report embodying the following:

We do not believe that we can acquire such jurisdiction over rejected material as to give us the right to adopt serious measures against a sister Grand Jurisdiction in which such rejected material has been made a Mason. Nor do we think it would be wise to cut off Masonic communication with any such Grand Jurisdiction because it refuses to recognize our right to hold perpetual jurisdiction. We have a right upon that subject to make laws to prevent a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction from acting upon the rejected material of any Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, but when we assume that we have a right to complain to other Grand Jurisdictions which do not hold this to be the correct Masonic doctrine, we, in our opinion, exceed the bounds of Masonic courtesy.

It is only when some other Grand Jurisdiction adopts some theory which is antagonistic to the principles of Masonry, or which will tend to its discredit, that we have a right in our diplomatic intercourse to adopt such harsh measures as to cut off Masonic communication with them.

We may, however, protect ourselves by refusing all Masonic recognition of a Mason made in a foreign jurisdiction out of our rejected material.

This, however, is a subject of legislation. It is of sufficient importance to require time and thoughtful attention in its discussion. Whether or not at this time it is entirely wise or humane to continue to hold that a Lodge shall hold perpetual jurisdiction over a person who has been so unfortunate as to become its rejected material, is also a subject of legislation.

In view of the importance of the question, we recommend that the entire matter be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, with instructions to report fully thereon at our next annual communication.

Which report was adopted.

The special committee on "Negro Masonry" did not believe in severing fraternal relations without due investigation, and therefore in the most fraternal spirit asks the Grand Lodge of Washington at its next annual session to review its action and repeal the same in the interest of harmony. They asked for time until the next annual before making their report, hoping in the interim the cause for the same would be done away with, which request was granted.

Recognition of the Gran Dieta of Mexico was postponed until more reliable information could be obtained.

Bro. Jefferson S. Conover again presents a voluminous report of a composite character, covering 276 pages. Colorado failed to connect. Within the first fifty-five pages he condenses the business of the Grand Lodges under review. Then, under the head of "What it costs to run Grand Lodges," he has thirty-five pages of matter

from the various proceedings, with a condensed table of statistics at the end. This is followed by decisions on Masonic law, and then comes a topical review of some 160 pages. Bro. Conover has gathered together a vast amount of valuable information and is entitled to the thanks of the guild for his researches as to cost of running Grand Lodges. He is not to be allowed such latitude hereafter, the Grand Lodge having limited the Report to 100 pages.

Frank T. Lodge, Detroit, Grand Master; Jefferson S. Conover, Coldwater, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

Forty-sixth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master Alonzo T. Stebbins, after words of welcome and fraternal greeting, refers in a patriotic strain to the glorious achievements of the army and navy during the past year.

"Fraternities," he says, "prosper better in times of peace than in times of war," hence, while there has not been a large increase in membership, peace and brotherly love prevail throughout the jurisdiction.

He announces the death of the last surviving founder of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Charles T. Stearns, who died in New Orleans, La., at the ripe old age of nearly ninety-two years. He was Senior Grand Warden in 1855. Having left the jurisdiction years ago, he was known to but few of those present. He was made a Mason in 1852. He was elected an honorary member of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota last year, which action, it is said, was a source of great pleasure to him as life neared its close.

He granted three dispensations for new Lodges, refused two and discouraged applications on the part of four others. He refused to grant a dispensation for an Army Lodge, after having thoroughly investigated the history of such Lodges in the past. He, however, granted dispensations to confer degrees out of time upon candidates who had enlisted in their country's service.

The three decisions submitted were approved.

Under the head of "Visitations" he reports having had the pleasure of conferring the M. M. degree upon his only son, assisted by the officers of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, while on a visit to Rochester Lodge No. 21, of Rochester. There was a very large attendance, including sixty-five brethren from Minneapolis.

He enlarges upon the efficient work of the District Deputies.

He refused to approve changes in Lodge By-Laws whereby it was sought to reduce fees below a reasonable amount. He says: "What costs little is little appreciated." While the minimum fee was fixed at fifteen dollars years ago, he believes it should now be doubled.

There had been no requests to lay corner stones during the year, which was an unusual occurrence.

He received a letter of inquiry from one of the state capitol commissioners as to whether the Masons would attend the exercises at the laying of the corner stone of the new capitol building, if other hands performed the ceremonies. He replied that they could not, but if they laid the stone, ample opportunity would be given for all the speeches by others that might be desired. There was no response.

He recommends the restoration of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Regarding the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning "Negro Masonry," he deferred action and referred the matter to the Grand Lodge.

In the report of the Grand Secretary we note a form of blank report to be filled out by District Deputies, in which are forty-eight questions, covering all matters of vital importance. Heretofore these reports were quite meager as to information, but with these aids the gray matter of the brain of the average District Deputy ought never to coagulate.

The statistics show a net gain of 188; membership, 15,906. Of the 205 Lodges from which reports were received, 118 show net gains, 70 net losses, while 17 remain as before.

Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, closes his report with a reference to his long connection with the Grand Lodge, extending over a period of just thirty years, he having entered it as Junior Warden of his Lodge. For twenty-two years he had sat at the Grand

Secretary's table, twelve years of that period as assistant to the lamented Pierson. During that time the membership of the jurisdiction had quadrupled.

The resolutions of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru were rescinded.

Brother Henry R. Adams, Grand Orator, delivered an eloquent oration, taking for his theme the inspiring one of "Love." Among the poetical quotations interspersed we note two stanzas from our poem, "Bearing the Sheaves."

A committee of three was appointed to prepare a plan whereby the work may be more generally disseminated among the Lodges.

The invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia that the Grand Lodge should be represented on the occasion of the Washington Memorial, was accepted.

An amendment to the Constitution to the effect "that signing the By-Laws was not a condition precedent to membership," was adopted unanimously.

Bro. Irving Todd, as usual, furnishes a most interesting and readable Report on Correspondence, Colorado for 1898 receiving a courteous review. Bro. T. is experienced in the use of the condenser. Within the limits of a page and a half are given a brief glance at Grand Master Tucker's address and the salient features of the session.

Alonzo T. Stebbins, Rochester, re-elected Grand Master; Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

Eighty-first Annual, February, 1899.

Grand Master John M. Stone begins his address with a reference to the historic city of Vicksburg, in which they were assembled, and recalls the names of some of their brightest lights who were once dwellers therein, and whose memories will ever be cherished. After extending congratulations, he has the mournful announcement to make of the death of Past Grand Master William G. Paxton, to whose memory he offers a loving tribute.

He refers to the yellow fever epidemic in September, 1898, which practically paralyzed business for two

months, through the usual panic which ensued. He authorized the Grand Secretary to draw upon the Grand Lodge funds for one hundred dollars for prompt relief. This amount, together with contributions received from other charitable sources, rendered no further expenditure of Grand Lodge funds necessary.

Three dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He granted several dispensations to confer degrees out of time, especially to those who had enlisted and were about leaving for the war.

He granted three dispensations to retake ballot under the following circumstances: In one case, for initiation, request signed by all who were present when petitioner was rejected; in the second, two Fellow Crafts for advancement, claim that black balls were cast by mistake, application signed by all who were present; in the third, two petitions for initiation, claim that candidates were rejected because of a misunderstanding, which had been amicably adjusted.

He is outspoken upon the subject of a Masonic Home, and does not believe in assuming the burden until such time as it can be successfully undertaken; in the meantime they can go on as heretofore, adding to the fund for the same.

The Washington Memorial observance has his hearty approval, and he recommends an appropriation of one hundred dollars asked for by the Virginia committee.

He reviews the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington on "Negro Masonry" and recommends that such action be taken as the gravity of the case demands.

A special report was made by the Committee on Correspondence touching the above matter, exhaustive in its nature and embodying resolutions declaring non-intercourse, the last one reading as follows:

Resolved, further, That this Grand Lodge regards the state of Washington as vacant Masonic territory, and would look favorably upon the establishment of Lodges in said state by any Grand Lodge choosing to exercise jurisdiction over it.

The report and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Fraternal relations were resumed with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

Grand Secretary J. L. Power presented his thirtieth annual report, and it is filled with interesting matter of an historical and statistical character. We quote the following as of interest to our brethren:

The following are the gains and losses for thirty years:

Raised	14,355
Affiliated	8,902
Reinstated	6,265—29,522
Losses: dimitted	12,889
Suspended, non-payment of dues.....	12,040
Suspended, un-Masonic conduct.....	444
Expelled, un-Masonic conduct.....	330
Died	5,605—31,318

Net loss for the period..... 2,796

The largest membership was in 1873—11,794.

The smallest membership was in 1887—7,253.

The average annual membership, 9,451.

The greatest loss in any one year was in 1877: Dismissions, 493; suspensions, 936; deaths, 192.

If we compare the suspensions for non-payment of dues, 12,040, with the reinstatements, 6,265, we see a net loss of 5,775.

It is safe to estimate that from this source, as well as from dismissions, there are now in this Grand Jurisdiction fully four thousand non-affiliates. Responses to inquiries by our Committee on State of the Craft, as well as by your Grand Secretary, show this to be the fact. How to reach these wanderers from the fold is a matter worthy the efforts of this Grand Body, and of every Lodge in this Jurisdiction.

He quotes from the address of Grand Master William H. Bumpass of Tennessee on this subject, wherein he recommends an endeavor to restore these brethren to the Masonic family by kind words and persuasion.

The Committee on Printing reported that they had let a contract for printing the proceedings whereby a saving of between three and four hundred dollars was effected. As a matter of interest we quote the respective bids, with comments of the committee:

Natchez Printing and Stationery Co., \$1.75 per page; \$25 for advance sheets of the four reports, viz.: Grand Master's address, Grand Secretary's Report, Report of Law Committee, and that of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Vicksburg Herald, \$1.90 per page, rule and figure work 90 cents per page extra, and 35 cents per page for advance sheets, as above.

Mott Publishing Co., \$1.60 per page and 60 cents per page for advance sheets.

Southern Printing House, Natchez, \$2 per page and 50 cents per page for advance sheets.

Clarion Ledger, \$1.47 per page, rule and figure work 28 cents per page extra, and 20 cents per page for advance sheets.

Harmon Publishing Co., Jackson, \$1.35 per page for completed work, no extra charge for rule and figure work, or for advance sheets.

The last named struck the Committee as being so exceedingly cheap that we feared that we had not interpreted their bid correctly, and wired them requesting them to elucidate, which they did, confirming our understanding of their proposition, which proposition we have incorporated into a contract which they have signed and given a bond which the Grand Master pronounces to be "gilt edge," for the faithful performance of the same, a copy of which contract follows, or is submitted herewith and made a part of this report.

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The Committee was disposed, all things approaching equality, to give preference to offices owned in whole, or even in part, by members of the Order, but the discrepancy was too great, in this instance, and we had no choice but to award the contract as we did.

Past Grand Master A. H. Barkley again furnishes a most interesting Report on Correspondence. Colorado failed to reach him.

William Starling, Greenville, Grand Master; J. E. Power, Jackson, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

Seventy-eighth Annual, October, 1898.

Grand Master F. J. Tygard early in his address refers to his first official act, which was the dedication of the Chapel at the Masonic Home, which had been erected without cost to the Home by the labors and liberality of the ladies of the Eastern Star. He suggested a vote of thanks to the Eastern Star for their generosity and interest in the Home.

Two W. M.'s were suspended from office for intoxication.

Eight dispensations were granted for new Lodges and an informal application for an "Army Lodge" declined.

While permissible under their law, he could not advise a Lodge to accept the petition from a man 71 years old.

He wrestled with the subject of "physical qualifications" and decided that parties with a leg off at the thigh, right foot off, and with leg off but using a cork leg, were not eligible, as their laws then stood.

The Grand Lodge later in the session passed the amendment to the Grand Lodge By-Laws presented a year ago by a vote of 140 to 136. Effort was made to reconsider, but it failed. The amendment is as follows:

It is incompetent for any Lodge in this jurisdiction to confer either of the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry on any person whose physical defects are such as to prevent him from receiving and imparting the ceremonies of the several degrees. Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to render anyone ineligible to the privileges of Masonry who can, by the aid of artificial appliances, conform to the necessary ceremonies.

This was a most radical departure from Masonic law and practice as observed by our fathers. The closeness of the vote would indicate that there are some respecters still left in that jurisdiction of what has always been regarded as a landmark in America. From the "hurrah" that has followed its passage, we infer that it is a victory for the "progressives" who have little regard for old customs or traditions.

We shall have occasion to refer to this question in our "Conclusion," and cannot give it further consideration in this connection.

The following decision was approved:

A grocery merchant who sells a preparation which intoxicates, and persists in doing so, is not amenable to the law as a saloon keeper, but he may be held liable on charges of un-Masonic conduct.

We reproduce the comments of the Jurisprudence Committee upon a decision which was disapproved, their entire report being adopted:

The Grand Master decided that it is necessary for a Lodge called upon to recommend a Lodge asking for dispensation to know that all Master Masons who are petitioners are in good standing.

Under our law, before a dispensation can be granted to form a new Lodge, such new Lodge must obtain the recommendations of all Lodges, whose territorial jurisdiction will be affected by it, except in towns and cities where there are two or more lodges.

We apprehend that the only reason for this rule of law is that the Lodges whose territorial jurisdiction is affected may, if they see fit, consent to the invasion. The duty of ascertaining whether or not the petitioners for the dispensation are all Master Masons in good standing devolves upon the Grand Master himself, and he should make the investigation either in person or through his District Deputy, or such other person as he may designate for that purpose. To require that the Lodges whose recommendation or approval or consent is made essential, should know that each petitioner is a Master Mason in good standing, would involve considerable labor and hardship in many cases both to Lodges and to petitioners. It scarcely ever happens that less than two Lodges are called upon to recommend, and sometimes in cities as many as ten to sixteen.

We cannot believe that it was the intention of the law to require that each and every Lodge recommending should know that each and every petitioner is a Master Mason in good standing, and we, therefore, recommend that the decision of the Grand Master, in this respect, be not approved.

While the views of the committee concerning the above decision are to be commended, we have doubts concerning their report on the following:

The Grand Master decided that a Brother convicted of a criminal offense is not necessarily guilty of a Masonic offense.

By the term, "criminal offense," we suppose the Grand Master means a crime. We are informed in our ancient charges that "a Mason is a peaceable subject to the civil powers wherever he resides or works, and is never to be concerned in plots and conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the nation, nor to behave himself undutifully to superior magistrates." We conceive it to be the duty of all Masons to obey the laws of the countries in which they reside, and to be convicted of a criminal offense, or of a crime, is to be adjudged guilty of disobedience of the law. This, we are of opinion, is a Masonic offense, and we think it incompetent to attack the solemn adjudication of a court of law, in a criminal case collaterally in a Masonic Lodge. We recommend that this decision of the Grand Master be not approved.

We believe the decision of the Grand Master correct, especially in view of the subserviency of even our highest courts to wealth and political influence. The innocent have been convicted in Colorado through conspiracy and the same will hold good in Missouri and other states. We quote from the decision of one of our Grand Masters: "Courts may err through prejudice, releasing the guilty and punishing the innocent. This does not afford an example for a Masonic Lodge to pattern after." We hope to see the action of the Grand Lodge of Missouri reversed at the next annual.

The Historical Committee reported in favor of publishing the data collected, together with seventy-four portraits, in a separate volume, which was adopted.

The report on Mexican Masonry owing to the absence of the chairman of the committee, was postponed until the next annual.

Past Grand Master John D. Vincil presents the Report on Correspondence as usual, and the proceedings of fifty-four Grand Lodges having gone through his "condenser," come out divested of all superfluties, with their salient points in full view. Colorado for 1897 receives a very appreciative review of four pages, in which Grand Master Geo. W. Roe's address and decisions are noted and commented upon, generally with approval. We quote the following:

The Grand Orator, Bro. Joseph W. Johnson, delivered an address, covering thirteen pages, on the "Antiquity of Free Masonry." According to the teachings of the learned orator, Freemasonry must be very ancient. I think the researches of those who make claim for such great antiquity, require labor that might be better directed in the line of sound, vigorous, healthy development of Freemasonry, as it now exists. This expression presents to my mind the practical importance and value of modern Freemasonry.

He devotes a page to comments upon our Report. We are pleased to note that our remarks concerning the publication of details in appeal cases are beginning to bear fruit. We quote his words in this connection:

Commenting upon the recommendation of Grand Master Hough, that Lodges be required to have read the reports of Committees on Appeals, and Grievances, and Jurisprudence, he said: "We are at a loss to comprehend how the reading of the report of Appeals and Grievances could have any good effect." In his view, the reading of such reports would be demoralizing. I quite agree with Bro. Greenleaf that the requirement made of the Grand Lodge, that these reports be read is as unnecessary as it would be unprofitable. Many of our reports along this line contain matter that should never see the light, and indeed ought to be eliminated from the reports before printed.

He closes with this personal reference, which, as it illustrates the beneficial influences of a "high altitude" and "scenic display," the writer is willing to pose as the "frightful example":

There is something airy and inspiring in the writing of Bro. Greenleaf, which may be accounted for on the ground that

he occupies not only an altitude above the rest of us, but is under the invigorating influence of the grand scenic display of nature, from which he derives extraordinary vitality as well as poetic tendencies. If Denver is not of sufficient altitude to cause him to "walk in high places," he has but to look out upon the Rocky Mountains, hard by, or run down a little way and take a ride, by steam, to the top of Pike's Peak.

Ethelbert F. Allen, Kansas City, Grand Master; John D. Vincil, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

Thirty-fourth Annual, September, 1898.

Grand Master Edward C. Day refers to the stirring events of the late war and devotes considerable space to patriotic sentiments in connection therewith, and concludes by recommending the publication with the proceedings of a list of their members who enlisted as a roll of honor for future generations.

He recommends the passage of a resolution congratulating the Grand Lodge of Peru upon its recent action restoring the Bible to its altars.

He reports a prosperous year for Masonry, most of the Lodges being in a healthy condition. Some few are in a lethargic condition and in others Masonic trials are creating discord and disorder which it may take years to overcome. He calls attention to the increasing disposition to discuss Masonic matters in public. This evil seems to have attained alarming proportions in our sister jurisdiction. The secrecy of the ballot is no longer securely guarded, and brethren are called to account by the profane for expressions of opinion upon Masonic matters. It was indeed time to call a halt, and the Grand Master's outspoken comment upon the growing evil and violation of Masonic obligation, should induce a radical reform.

He reports having granted five dispensations for new Lodges.

He has the mournful announcement to make of the death of Past Grand Master James R. Boyce, Sr., to whose memory he pays a feeling tribute.

Nine decisions were submitted which were approved with the exception of No. 6, which was as follows:

"The exhibition of the charter in response to the demand of a visiting brother is a matter of courtesy and not of right."

The report of the Jurisprudence Committee, which was adopted, disapproved the above, commenting as follows: "A visiting brother is entitled to know whether he is visiting a regularly constituted Lodge or not, and that his demand to see the charter is his right. And the right to demand that it be shown carries with it the right to see it."

He authorized a Lodge to receive and act upon the petition of one who had lost his left leg below the knee and supplied the defect by an artificial foot. The Lodge, however, rejected the candidate.

He reports having visited Helena Lodge No. 3 on November 6, 1897, for the purpose of presenting Grand Secretary Cornelius Hedges with a beautiful cut-glass inkstand with silver tray, in behalf of the Grand Lodge, as a testimonial of its recognition of his twenty-five years of service.

He laid the corner stone of the State University at Missoula on June 8, 1898, in the presence of a large concourse of citizens, the Governor and state officials.

The subject of a Masonic Home receives consideration, he having authorized an Eastern Star Chapter to issue a circular in its behalf. An offer of a gift of three acres of ground had also been made, and he advises action authorizing the incorporation of the Trustees of the Grand Charity Fund that they may hold property, etc.

He recommends favorable action concerning the Washington memorial.

The Grand Lodge extended congratulations to the Grand Lodge of Peru, and recognized the Grand Orient of Belgium and the Grand Lodge of Egypt.

The Grand Lodge took action in the matter of divulging Lodge transactions and the Junior Wardens of Lodges are to prefer charges against all such offenders.

The Grand Lodge authorized the incorporation of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity fund.

The Grand Secretary's salary was increased from \$750 to \$1,000.

The net gain in membership, as shown by the statistics, was 144; present membership, 2,850.

The roll of honor of members who enlisted in the war with Spain is printed with a red, white and blue border.

P. G. M. Cornelius Hedges writes a most interesting Report on Correspondence, Colorado, for 1897, receiving appreciative comment. Grand Master Geo. W. Roe's address, Bro. Ed's report, Bro. Jasper W. Johnson's oration, the business of the session and our report are commented upon in a spirit of fairness and generally with approval. He thinks the writer is ensnared by his conception of the symbolic meaning of the physical perfection requirement. He says we see spooks in Mexican Masonry, which we certainly do, and they seem to bear close resemblance to Banquo's ghost in their persistency.

Charles W. Pomeroy, Kalispell, Grand Master; Cornelius Hedges, Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

Forty-first Annual, June, 1898.

The proceedings of this jurisdiction were delayed by a fire which destroyed the printing office, together with the proceedings, which were to be mailed the day succeeding the fire, a fresh instance of where we often come within one of it!

Grand Master John B. Dinsmore acknowledges the merciful providence of the Supreme Architect in the preservation of the lives of Past and Present Grand Officers and he pays tributes to the memories of distinguished Craftsmen of other Grand Lodges.

He submits five decisions. Nos. 1 and 2 were as follows:

1. Is a man who is on a saloon petition a fit man to be made a Mason? No.
2. Is it un-Masonic for a man to sign a saloon petition? Yes.

These decisions called forth two reports from the Committee on Jurisprudence which, in that jurisdiction, is composed of all Past Grand Masters present. The majority report disapproved of them upon the ground that the views of the Grand Lodge upon this question had been too often expressed to require any further pro-

nouncement on the subject, and that the two decisions go farther than Masonic law or principle demand.

The minority report was signed by nine members; approved the decisions as the only logical ones that could have been made, consistent with the former utterances of that Grand Lodge.

After a general discussion the further consideration of the reports was postponed until the next annual.

In our last report we referred to the action of Grand Master Phelps in making his son a Mason at sight in the body of Acacia Lodge, and which act was disapproved by the Grand Lodge.

Grand Master Dinsmore reports as follows concerning subsequent action:

By your action, I was directed to go in person or by proxy to Schuyler for the purpose of healing Bro. Harry E. Phelps in due Masonic manner. First requiring the payment of fees prescribed by the law of the Lodge in whose jurisdiction the said Phelps resides, for the conferring of the three degrees in Masonry; finding it impossible for me to go immediately, I issued dispensation to Bro. Walter W. Wells, Master of Acacia Lodge, No. 34, Schuyler, Nebraska, to act as my proxy. Under date of June 19, A. L. 5897, Bro. Wells reported that in compliance with the stipulations made by the Grand Lodge he duly healed Bro. Harry E. Phelps and confirmed his membership in said Lodge. All of which he certified under the seal of the Lodge.

We expressed a brief opinion on this case last year. In view of the wide disparity of opinion that exists among prominent Masons as to this prerogative, it seems to us that the treatment of the Grand Master was, to say the least, not quite as courteous as it should have been. The end is not yet, as Grand Master Phelps propounded a query which the Jurisprudence Committee recommended be referred to a special committee of three. Their report was as follows:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the query presented by Bro. Charles J. Phelps, would fraternally represent that they have had the subject under consideration, and recommend that the question here presented be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master, and that said committee report their conclusion thereon to the next meeting of this Grand Lodge.

Query: Can it be maintained that, as declared by the Grand Lodge proceedings 1897, page 5526, "The Grand Master is the creature of the constitution of this Grand Lodge, and his prerogatives are defined and limited thereby?"

The special committee appointed comprises three Past Grand Masters and their report will be awaited with much interest.

The Grand Custodian reports having held forty-two Lodges of Instruction of three days each, four of two days each, and that he had visited twelve Lodges singly. He reports the Lodges generally in a prosperous condition with plenty of work on hand.

The statistics show a net gain for the year of only twelve. Aside from dimissions and deaths we note 428 suspensions, doubtless for non-payment of dues.

No Report on Correspondence.

Frank H. Young, Broken Bow, Grand Master; William R. Bowen, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

Thirty-fifth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master Matthew Kyle, after extending fraternal greetings, reports a slight decrease in membership, but truthfully remarks that "Masonry is not measured by numbers."

He thinks that a Masonic Home is an imperative necessity in that jurisdiction, but does not see his way clear to recommend it, their numbers being few and their finances sufficient only for existing work.

He recommends the re-establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The Grand Lodge of Washington and its action concerning "Negro Masonry" furnishes the subject-matter of many pages; said action having been reversed, there is no occasion for further reference to the matter, except to record the fact that the Grand Master of Wyoming, in his letter to the Grand Master, advocated the establishment of a Supreme Grand Lodge to settle all such controversies in the future.

Grand Master Kyle, in his reply to Grand Master Rumsey of Wyoming, has the following pertinent comments on the usefulness or "crying need" of a Supreme Grand Lodge:

I very much doubt if any considerable number of our Grand Lodges will be found willing to surrender their own supremacy in favor of such a tribunal or governing body. I am positive that my own would not.

Without the unanimous consent of the Grand Lodges, and obligations on their part to obey its mandates, such an institution would be powerless for good, and might be the means of doing much harm.

It is true, as stated, that such an institution would be in harmony with the General Grand Chapter. I however fail to see any great good that institution is doing for Royal Arch Masonry. It meets once every three years, makes some recommendations as to Ritual and some other matters, all of which are adopted or not by the several Grand Jurisdictions, just as they may deem proper. Its Cipher Ritual is not even adopted by many of the Grand Jurisdictions, and an attempt on the part of the General Grand Chapter to enforce its adoption would be met with opposition and a withdrawal of allegiance by some of the Grand Jurisdictions.

A Supreme Grand Lodge, I fear, would occupy a similar position—powerless to enforce its mandates in case of opposition.

A decision by a governing body organized as you suggest, would be but the opinion of the majority of the several Grand Masters, and could only be obtained at long intervals upon any given question. Whereas, under present conditions, these opinions can, as in the case cited, be obtained at once, and in my judgment, entitled to fully as much weight as if rendered by them as a Supreme Grand Lodge.

Now, my dear brother, I fully recognize your good intentions in this matter, and commend your wisdom in submitting this proposition to the several Grand Masters, but with due deference to your judgment and good intentions, I, believing as I do, that a Supreme Grand Lodge would be of no practical benefit, and might possibly be very harmful, I must refuse to consent to the formation of such an institution.

He submits a list of three decisions which were approved.

He urges the importance of affiliation with some Lodge, and hopes that the Lodges of the jurisdiction will enforce the General Regulations and do all in their power to overcome the evil of non-affiliation.

He recommended an increase in the salary of the Grand Secretary from \$300 to \$450, which the Grand Lodge subsequently fixed at \$400.

On the evening of the first day of the session the members of the Grand Lodge were most agreeably entertained by the members of the Eastern Star, and invited to a banquet, where covers were laid for two hundred guests.

The Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of twenty-five dollars toward the expenses of the Washington Centennial.

The Report on Correspondence was again written by Bro. A. D. Bird, and is an able summary of the proceedings of fifty-nine Grand Lodges, Colorado, for 1898, included.

Brief reference is made to Grand Master Tucker's address, which is pronounced business-like. He quotes the report of the Virginia Committee on Washington Centennial and makes liberal extracts from our Report.

John M. McCormack, Reno, Grand Master; Chauncey, N. Noteware, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Thirty-first Annual, August, 1898.

Grand Master Thomas Walker reports peace and concord prevailing in his "provincial Masonic family."

He announces the death of several Past Masters, giving biographical data, and also of Past Deputy Grand Master J. Henry Leonard and Past Junior Grand Warden George Todd.

In the matter of Grand Visitations he was not remiss, and after labor there was usually a call to refreshment when the social feature was given due prominence.

He refers to the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru in restoring the Bible to its altars.

In regard to the Washington Memorial Observance he trusts that the "Grand Lodge will enthusiastically join to do honor to the memory of this distinguished brother."

The Grand Orient of Belgium was recognized. From the report of the Committee on Relations with Foreign Grand Lodges, we gather the following information which may be useful hereafter in determining the action of this Grand Lodge:

From the facts set out in the letter of M. W. Brother Berge and from information already in the possession of your committee there can be no doubt whatever that the Grand Orient exercises lawful authority over the Lodges of Craft Masonry in the Kingdom of Belgium, that it has been in existence sixty-six years and that it possesses the confidence and respect of all the legitimate governed bodies of Craft Masonry in Europe. It exercises no control over any other degrees than those of Entered Appren-

tice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason, and men of character and eminence in the national life of Belgium have been long connected with it.

The Special Committee on membership of subordinate Lodges presented an interesting report, inasmuch as they endeavored to furnish a solution as to the cause of the decrease in membership and suggesting remedies therefor. We first quote their list of causes:

1st. That the falling off in membership is due to lack of interest, which leads to non-payment of dues, suspensions, retiring on dimit, etc.

2nd. Past Masters having no official duties lose their interest.

3rd. Members are made without being called upon to pass examinations.

4th. Officers are advanced who do not make an effort to get up the work, the only object being to get through the chair.

5th. That Grand Lodge is not made interesting enough to members.

Among suggestions offered by the committee were the following:

1st. That Worshipful Masters be requested to see that no candidate be advanced who has not passed a successful examination; that no appointive officer be advanced who is not posted in his work, and that he personally interest himself in seeing that the members attend; that in the absence of degree work the Worshipful Master instruct the Lodge, calling upon Past Masters as much as possible to assist him.

2nd. That the Board of General Purposes be authorized to engage a Lecturer, whose duty it will be to visit, instruct, and aid in every way Subordinate Lodges.

3rd. That your committee is of opinion that monthly or quarterly collection of dues would be beneficial, and that the relief from dues after twenty-one years is good.

4th. That Grand Lodge meet in the morning, getting through with routine work, and giving as much time as possible to discussion on the Order; that while exemplifying degrees is entertaining, the time might be spent more profitably.

Other suggestions recommended the sending of a committee of three to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to study their methods and also whether the itineracy of the Grand Lodge would not be beneficial.

The report was referred to the Board of General Purposes, who will report at the next Annual.

No Report on Correspondence.

Thomas Walker, St. John, Grand Master; J. T. Hartt, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

One Hundred and Tenth Annual, May, 1899.

Grand Master John McLane, after words of welcome, turns his thoughts to the dead and pays a tribute to Bros. Edward Gustine, Isaac W. Smith and Chas. A. Tufts, all of whom were District Deputies. The former had been Grand High Priest and the latter Grand Commander in concordant branches of Masonry.

We quote the following, which was approved, to show that in the older jurisdictions they are not sticklers as to the necessity of the charter being present to render a meeting legal:

A Lodge at a stated communication voted to grant a dimit to a brother who had made application therefor. Before the Lodge had closed it was discovered that the charter was not in the lodge room. Some year or two after the contention was made that the charter not being present in the lodge room when the dimit was granted the dimit was illegal and void, and that the brother was still a member of the Lodge, notwithstanding the fact that his name had been dropped from the books and he had not paid dues.

It is an old and well-understood Masonic law "that the charter must be present at the opening," but to hold that action of the Lodge, otherwise all right, upon such a matter as granting a dimit is void unless the charter is in the lodge room at the time, is a very narrow interpretation of the law governing this subject. The charter is the evidence of authority to assemble and work and should always be present, but if by accident it happens to be locked up in a safe in the ante-room, or at the home of the Master, to contend that all business transacted at a communication held under such circumstances is illegal would lead to complications that would be very troublesome. If there was any question as to the existence of the charter it would be a very different matter, but admitting that the Lodge has a charter, the mere matter of its being in the lodge room all the time is not in my opinion important.

He reviews the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington on "Negro Masonry" at considerable length, with a recommendation that it be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

The District Deputies of the six districts furnish detailed information as to the condition of the Lodges under their supervision.

We gather from the statistics the following items: Number of Lodges, 78; membership, 9,240; net increase,

16. We call attention to the small number suspended for non-payment of dues, namely, 41, while during the same period 19 were restored.

The Grand Lodge, upon the report of the special committee, voted to change its mode of trials, and amendments to the Constitution were proposed, providing for the appointment of five members of the Grand Lodge to be known as Commissioners on Trials, they to have jurisdiction of all offenses except non-payment of dues.

The Report on Correspondence by Bro. Albert S. Wait is of its usual interesting character and a written commentary with only such extracts as are deemed essential as texts and illustrations. Colorado for 1898 receives an appreciative review of two and a half pages, in which Grand Master Tucker's address is summarized and decisions Nos. 13 and 15 quoted entire, which, together with the others, he believes, under local legislation, are correct. He quotes from our report our remarks concerning actual and virtual Past Masters, under Wisconsin, and agrees with us in our opinion.

John McLane, Milford, Grand Master; George P. Cleaves, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

One Hundred and Twelfth Annual, January, 1899.

The address of Grand Master Josiah W. Ewan was a full and explicit presentment of all important matters affecting the welfare of the Craft in that jurisdiction, with such recommendations as in his judgment will aid in the attainment of that high ideal which is the ultimate aim and purpose of the Fraternity.

After words of welcome and devout acknowledgment of the blessings vouchsafed by Almighty God during the past year, he gives expression to lofty sentiments of patriotism as his thoughts revert to the late war with Spain, its victorious conclusion, with the white-winged herald of peace again spreading her pinions over our favored land. Under the head of Necrology, he refers to the merciful Providence which had spared the lives of their officers and Past Grand Officers. He announces the death of forty-one Past Masters, with a brief record

of their Masonic lives. The honored dead of other Grand Jurisdictions are reverently named.

Under the head of Foreign Jurisdictions he referred to the pleasant relations existing between that and the neighboring Grand Jurisdictions of New York and Pennsylvania, while Grand Masters Wm. A. Sutherland and Wm. J. Kelley were in the Grand East respectively. He was proceeding to state that the same spirit would be manifested by their successors, and as an evidence was about to cite the presence of M. W. Bro. Henry W. Williams, Grand Master of Pennsylvania in their midst (he having accepted an invitation to be present), when there was a pause, and instead he had the startling announcement to make that he had just died in Philadelphia.

Referring to the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington regarding "Negro Masonry," he says he shall request the Committee on Correspondence to prepare a special report expressive of the sentiments of the Grand Lodge, which cannot be other than those of disapproval, yet he entertains the hope that the Grand Lodge of Washington will soon recede from its unwise position.

The laying of the corner-stone of the postoffice building at Patterson and the dedication of the Masonic Home, at both of which he officiated, were occasions of great importance and drew together thousands of people from all parts of the state, besides many distinguished visitors from other jurisdictions.

Under the head of Masonic Home Assessment he calls attention to the fact that every Lodge has paid not less than \$2.00 per capita. As Masons from other jurisdictions are not required to pay an affiliation fee, they become partakers in the benefits of the Home without being obliged to contribute to the Permanent Fund as all others have done. He recommends that each Brother who shall hereafter affiliate with a Lodge in that jurisdiction shall pay the sum of \$2.00 into the Permanent Fund.

He granted permission for several Lodges to attend divine service, but in each case without Masonic regalia. In this connection he says:

In refusing permission to Lodges to wear Masonic clothing in attendance at Divine service, I have simply followed the precedent established, in recent years, by my predecessors, and in which

I fully concur, believing that the sentiment of this Grand Lodge is opposed to Masons appearing in Masonic clothing at any time other than at strictly Masonic functions.

He refused to grant a dispensation for an impromptu army Lodge, and thus makes note of the fact:

On the first of August I received a request for dispensation to hold an Impromptu Blue Lodge among the officers of the United States army, as a "novelty."

I could not see my way clear to sanction a Masonic "novelty," hence respectfully declined to grant the dispensation.

He is a strict observer of the law concerning physical qualifications. He reports having made personal examination in the case of thirty candidates. Of these he decided that seventeen were eligible, thirteen ineligible, while the examination of two is pending. In some cases persons with physical defects had obtained a waiver of jurisdiction and received the degrees in sister jurisdictions. He rendered the following decision covering this point:

Applicants for waiver of jurisdiction must possess the same physical qualifications as required by those applying to a Lodge of this jurisdiction, and their eligibility determined in the same manner.

The following case having come to his notice, he invoked special legislation:

I regret to say that there are too many unaffiliated Masons within our jurisdiction. I am constrained to believe that this condition is largely by reason of there not being sufficient legislation upon this subject.

As an instance, my attention has been called to the case of a brother who has been unaffiliated for fifteen years, and boasts of the enjoyment which he obtains by visiting the various Lodges of his city, especially on festive occasions, and that during all these years his Masonry has not cost him a penny.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence the Grand Lodge adopted the following:

A Mason unaffiliated for more than six months can not be admitted to visit a Lodge in this jurisdiction, and Decision No. 1, under title of "Visitors," Digest of 1898, page 124, is rescinded.

Affiliates are also required to pay a fee of \$2.00 for the Permanent Fund of the Masonic Home.

He removed a W. M. from office for initiating a candidate who had lost the greater portion of the second finger of the right hand. At the end of six months, upon the petition of the Lodge, he was restored to his station.

He has little faith in the strangers within the gates who solicit aid. Says he:

My experience has demonstrated that 99 per cent. of those soliciting Masonic aid are unworthy of it, and should be debarred from receiving it by every possible precaution.

Broad assertions seem to be characteristic of our New Jersey Brethren. Last year we "called down" Past Grand Master Cannon for exploding this bombshell: "Nine-tenths of all those suspended for non-payment of dues during the last ten years, were well able to pay." What an acquisition to Colorado would our good Brethren be, as "promotors" of mining sales, they could make a nine-tenths, or ninety-nine one-hundredths showing of results upon slight provocation!

From the statistics we note that the net gain in membership was 426; present membership, 16,970. The general condition of the Craft is satisfactory; the reports of the twelve District Deputies cover all details. The Grand Master embodied a few particulars in his address which we quote:

A general improvement is noted, one District Deputy especially noting the increased interest of Past Masters in acquiring the P. M. degree; another calls attention to the soliciting of candidates for initiation, in order to derive sufficient revenue to pay their expenses; another suggests that a charge of gun-cotton will be necessary to awaken one or two Lodges in his district; others deplore the use of the black-ball for other than proper reasons; three or four Lodges have factions within them which mitigate against their usefulness, etc., etc.

It is these little features that make Masonic Lodges the world over, akin.

There is an elaborate report from the Committee and also from the Superintendent of the Masonic Home. There are now 23 inmates. The per capita cost has not yet been ascertained.

Fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Washington were severed by unanimous vote, owing to its action regarding "Negro Masonry."

Recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium and the Grand Lodge of Peru, were postponed pending further information, until the next annual.

A stone from the quarries of Jerusalem was presented to the Grand Lodge.

These two decisions by the Committee on Jurisprudence were approved:

1. When a dimit has been granted to a brother, his signature should appear in the margin thereof prior to the certification and issue of the same by the officers of the Lodge.

2. The Secretary of a Lodge, with the approval of the Worshipful Master, may issue printed notices to the members, to be sent in sealed envelopes, containing a statement of candidates proposed for membership, with date of voting thereon and also of contemplated Masonic work.

Two hundred dollars were appropriated towards the expenses of Virginia in the Washington Memorial exercises, while the expenses of the Grand Master and such associates as he shall select as representatives of that Grand Lodge are also to be defrayed.

Bro. George B. Baker, in a most interesting Report on Correspondence covering 190 pages, reviews the proceedings of sixty-one Grand Lodges, Colorado for 1898 receiving due consideration. Grand Master Cromwell Tucker's address and decisions are epitomized. We quote the following comment upon one of his decisions:

One, relating to the liquor prohibitory law enacted by this Grand Lodge, turned on rather a fine point. No one engaged in or profiting by the sale of intoxicants can be admitted to the fraternity of this jurisdiction, either by initiation or affiliation, whether he be principal, stockholder, handler or employee, provided he sells or handles liquors. The decision embraced this point: "In the case of an employee of a corporation partially engaged in the traffic, who neither handles nor sells liquors for his employers, and agrees not to do so in the future, his petition may be accepted."

While this employee could not roll out a cask of liquor, place it on a cart and deliver it to a customer, he could dispense samples in the office, make out bills and enter debits and credits in a ledger, sneeze with a breath redolent of rum as he casts the column of profits to his employer, but can not handle a bottle of beer.

After quoting the inquiry as to a candidate on a high-license ticket and the reasons for declining to render a decision, he says:

Drift, appended to this novel departure of requirement. Whence come you? is easily answered. Whither are you going? is more difficult.

But we must refrain, we have already dwelt too long within the confines of New Jersey and must, therefore, make rather an unceremonious exit.

Josiah W. Ewan, Mount Holly, Grand Master; Thos. H. B. Redway, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

Twenty-first Annual, October, 1898.

John W. Poe, Grand Master, reports the condition of the Craft in that jurisdiction as generally satisfactory, more interest being manifested. Some of the weaker Lodges which had contemplated the surrender of their charters a year or two ago, had taken fresh courage and were working with new animation. There is a healthy growth in membership, care being exercised in the selection of material.

Our sister jurisdiction now has the advantage of the District Deputy system of supervision. Grand Master Poe divided the jurisdiction into eight districts at the beginning of his term, appointing District Deputy Grand Masters for the same. All made reports except one, and upon his recommendation they were published in the proceedings.

He granted a dispensation for the burial of a former member of a Lodge who was unaffiliated at the time of his death. Under their Grand Lodge By-Laws a non-affiliate is not entitled to burial. He says:

I did not construe this law to be absolutely prohibitory, and deeming it not inconsistent, but rather in harmony with the spirit and teaching of our Order for the Grand Master to grant a dispensation for this purpose when a majority of the members of a Lodge desire it; I accordingly telegraphed the following reply to the request:

Roswell, N. M., February 25, 1898.

Louis Hostetter, W. M., Las Cruces, N. M.:

If majority of your members desire to give the brother Masonic burial, I grant dispensation.

JNO. W. POE,
Grand Master.

It will be perceived that the Grand Master does not hesitate to avail himself of modern facilities of speedy communication where their use will further the end sought for without detriment to the interests of the Craft. There is little doubt that the telegraph, long-distance telephone or, mayhap, wireless telegraph, will be in general use by the Craft in the next few years, the formal authority to follow in due course of mail.

He submits a list of ten decisions, which were approved. Decision No. 2 was as follows:

Question: "Is a Master Mason who deliberately commits suicide entitled to Masonic burial?" Upon considering this question as a general proposition, I decided in the affirmative.

He fully explains his reasons for the above decision and quotes authorities in its support.

The committee on his address also reviewed his action and approved the same. We quote the following extract from their report:

We agree with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, that there may be circumstances attending a suicide when it would not be improper to accord the deceased a Masonic burial. It is probably better not to attempt to lay down any hard and fast rule on this subject, and to leave each case to be determined according to the peculiar circumstances surrounding it.

The same committee, on the matter of the burial of a non-affiliate, reported as follows:

While we question the construction of the By-Laws as given by the Grand Master in regard to the dispensation permitting the Masonic burial of a non-affiliate, yet we think it eminently proper in the particular instance, and in order that there may be no doubt in the future in such case, we recommend the alteration of the By-Laws so as to give the Grand Master discretion in such cases.

In a former report we referred to the injustice of such an inflexible By-Law, and we are pleased to note that our New Mexico brethren have come to regard it in the same light, and have taken steps for its modification.

He devotes some space to the claim of Mt. Pisgah Lodge No. 96, of this jurisdiction, against Silver City Lodge No. 8, of New Mexico, and its amicable adjustment. This was one case in which a Grand Representative was not a mere figurehead, but was enabled to render some little service.

He recommends that the Grand Lodge be represented at the Washington Memorial observance by its then Grand Master.

We glean the following from the summary of statistics:—Number of Lodges, 20; membership, 881; net gain, 28.

The Report on Correspondence was the joint production of Bros. Max Frost and W. H. Seaman, their initials designating the work of each. The reviews in charge of the third member of the committee were not received in time for publication, and possibly Colorado, which is conspicuous by its absence, was in his hands and thus doomed to oblivion.

Robert C. Stewart, Socorro, Grand Master; Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

June, 1897, to June, 1898.

At the Quarterly held September 8, 1897, Sir Joseph P. Abbott, Grand Master, presiding, the report of the Board of General Purposes was adopted with the exception of Paragraph No. 7, which proposed that the Record Reign of Queen Victoria be memorized by handing over £1,000 from the Fund of Benevolence to the Freemasons' Benevolent Institute, for the permanent relief of the aged and infirm, and by donating £500 towards the erection of the Hospital for Consumptives, the latter sum to be taken from the funds of the Grand Lodge as required. The Grand Master presented his opinion at length and setting forth clearly the several clauses of their Constitution and ruled that the recommendation to vote £1,000 for the above named purpose was out of order; and as to the proposal to apply £500 from the Grand Lodge funds, that was a matter for that body to determine. He concludes as follows:

"But as one who thinks the funds of Grand Lodge are in no way excessive, and ought to be nursed for Masonic purposes, ever with the hope of some day being able to erect in a central position in the city a Masonic Temple, I shall at all times steadfastly set my voice against such gifts as that now proposed."

Paragraph No. 7 was referred back to the board, and at a subsequent meeting they reported that they deemed it inexpedient to make any further recommendation in the matter.

We quote Paragraph No. 12 from the same report, showing the views which are entertained relative to the presence of ladies in Lodge rooms:

12. Ladies' Nights.—A communication was read from the M. W. the Grand Master, remitting, for the consideration of the board, some correspondence he had received relative to ladies being admitted to the Lodge room. This matter engaged the attention of the board for some time, and ultimately it was decided that ladies ought *not* to be admitted to the Lodge rooms under any circumstances. This restriction, however, does not apply to their attendance at banquets or social gatherings of Freemasons.

At the Quarterly in December, 1897, the request of the Grand Dieta of Mexico for recognition was postponed pending further information. At the Quarterly in June, 1898, the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence presented a lengthy report on the subject, and recommending that recognition should be withheld for the present, which was adopted.

An interesting Report on Correspondence shows that the brethren of New South Wales are progressive and inclined to follow American methods instead of those of the Grand Lodge of England and many of the Provincial and Colonial Grand Lodges, whose proceedings as a rule are devoid of interest and little more than balance sheets of receipts and expenditures of benevolence. The report was the joint contribution of the five members of the committee, of which Bro. John B. Trivett is chairman. Colorado for 1897 was reviewed by Bro. W. H. Shortland, who devotes two pages to a concise summary of our proceedings. Our report calls forth the following comment:

In conclusion, we have perused with pleasure the whole of the Report on Correspondence; it touches on many matters of discipline and jurisprudence, and imparts a vast fund of information as to the doings of our sister Grand Lodges in the great American continent.

Sir Joseph Palmer Abbott, Grand Master; Arthur H. Bray, Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

One Hundred and Eighteenth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master William A. Sutherland, without any prefatory remarks, first gives a statement of the financial condition as disclosed in the reports of the Grand Officers. Grand Treasurer disbursed \$77,648.48; balance on hand, \$48,298.90. Trustees of the Hall and Asylum expended in support of the 250 inmates of the Home and permanent improvements, \$61,557.46; and in general expenses, \$3,045.72; cash on hand, \$7,919.84, with a reserve fund of \$198,605.38, nearly all invested in bond and mortgages. Trustees of the Permanent Fund report balance of \$77,586.19. Totals amount to \$332,410.31. The Home at Utica has cost so far \$375,000, and the Masonic Temple, New York City, \$1,500,000, including value of site. Entire possessions of the Grand Lodge are upwards of \$2,200,000.

He notes the fact that on January 1, 1899, there were 745 active Lodges, with a total membership of 98,100. But he reminds the brethren assembled that there are higher interests than things material, and dwells feelingly on this thought. He then pauses to pay a tribute to the fraternal dead of that and other Grand Jurisdictions.

He had granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Washington is referred to, and also his request to the Grand Representative of that Grand Body to forward his resignation. He had received a letter from the Grand Master of Washington soon after, demanding his reasons for this act. His reply and other documents relating thereto are published in the appendix. He had also opened a correspondence with all the other Grand Masters in the United States, furnishing to each a printed copy of his correspondence with the Grand Master of Washington, in the hope that the Grand Master of Washington might be induced to have his Grand Lodge retrace its steps. As they could not know until after the close of the session whether such would be the case, he advises against immediate action, but delegating to the incoming Grand Master full authority to sustain the sovereignty of the Grand Lodge of New York.

He reports with lively satisfaction the resuscitation of the Grand Lodges of Cuba and Porto Rico, which was largely due to the aid and kindly offices of that Grand Lodge. Representatives had also been exchanged between that Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of Belgium.

He refers with pleasure to his visit to Zetland Lodge, Toronto, Canada, when he met the Grand Master of Canada, E. T. Malone, and nine of the ten living Past Grand Masters. There were some three hundred brethren in attendance; there was work on the first degree, followed by a banquet, which afforded an opportunity for expressions of friendship between the two English-speaking countries.

He had assembled a convention of the Masters, Past Masters and Officers of the Lodges in the metropolitan district to the number of 750, and addressed them upon the duties incumbent upon them. Among his numerous official acts were the laying of four corner stones, the dedication of eleven Masonic Temples and Lodge rooms, the constituting of two Lodges and the opening of two Masonic Fairs.

He expresses patriotic sentiments regarding the late war with Spain, and reports that he had appointed a committee to collect the information and prepare a roster of the Craftsmen from New York who participated while the data was readily accessible.

He devotes much space to their Home at Utica, urging renewed effort on the part of the brethren to widen its scope and extend its protection and beneficent provision to many others. He reminds them that the Home at present derives its support from the zealous labors of their predecessors. He says:—"To justly claim credit for what is being done to-day we ought ourselves to be actual contributors thereto." He also enforces the idea that they were able, if they chose, to support 1,000 men, women and children instead of merely 250, for were the 100,000 Masons of that jurisdiction to contribute but fifty cents per capita, it would yield annually \$50,000 toward its support.

From the statistical tables of the Grand Secretary there was a net gain in membership of 2,700. A noticeable fact is the small number reported unaffiliated, namely, 2,318; also, dropped 237, and expelled 22.

In the body of the proceedings there is an excellent portrait of our venerable brother, Adna A. Treat, and also a fac simile of an autograph letter received from him in acknowledgment of congratulatory telegram from that Grand Lodge, of which he is a life member, being the oldest Past Master.

Upon the recommendation of the special committee, the Grand Lodge voted to participate in the Washington Memorial observance, and made an appropriation of \$1,000, to be expended in the discretion of the Grand Master.

The report of the Committee on Cuban Relief is an interesting document. At the last annual the sum of \$5,000 was unanimously placed at the disposal of the Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master, to be used for the relief of worthy, suffering Cuban Freemasons. Of the sum thus appropriated \$2,600 was spent in the relief of 119 Masons and a like number of the widows of Masons, also 35 orphans, 2 sisters, 19 daughters, 2 sons and 2 mothers. The total number thus relieved was 298. Two thousand five hundred dollars was transmuted into Spanish silver, thus realizing \$3,758.14.

The reports of the several Grand Officers and the Standing Committees are filled with interesting data, but we are compelled to forego their reproduction.

The able and eloquent addresses of Grand Master William A. Sutherland, delivered on ceremonial and public occasions, are printed in the appendix, and form a valuable collection of brilliant thoughts, of which the brethren of that large jurisdiction may well be proud.

Past Grand Master Jesse B. Anthony furnishes a most able and interesting Report on Correspondence, it being his eleventh. It covers 216 closely printed pages and is a survey of the entire field—American, Canadian and foreign, the translations for the latter being made by W. Bro. Emil Frenkel. Colorado for 1898 receives an appreciative review, in which the salient features of Grand Master Tucker's address are summarized and five of his decisions reproduced. He says: "No. 15 is not quite as *fine* as one we have heretofore noted, but it will do." Our remarks concerning compulsory legislation against non-affiliates are quoted entire, and he is in accord with our views therein expressed. Bro. Anthony concludes his report with a pointed and exhaustive re-

view of "Negro Masonry" and an article on "Grand Lodge History in New York." Reluctantly we lay aside this entertaining volume.

Wright D. Pownall, New York, Grand Master; Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

Annual, April 28, 1898, M. W. William Barron, Grand Master, on the Throne.

The terms of recognition by the United Grand Lodge of England were accepted by the Board of General Purposes at a special meeting held on January 19, 1898, and a telegram sent to the Grand Secretary of England the next day announcing the fact, and requesting the forwarding of the signed document immediately as delay was prejudicial, a Board having signed and posted the reciprocal document on the part of New Zealand.

We reproduce the following as of interest in regard to the Washington Memorial Observance. In connection with the invitation from the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate, which was embodied in the report of the Board of General Purposes, the following memorandum from the Grand Master of New South Wales, together with this letter from the Grand Secretary also appears in their report:

THE UNITED GRAND LODGE OF NEW SOUTH WALES OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

Masonic Hall, 283 Castlereagh St.,

Sydney. April 4th, 1898.

Dear Sir and V. Wor. Brother:

By the instruction of my Board of General Purposes, I enclose you copy of a letter lately received by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master (a similar one having, no doubt, been received by your Grand Lodge), together with his views upon the matter.

The Board of General Purposes will be glad to receive a communication from your Grand Lodge setting forth their views on the matter.

I am, Dear Sir and V. Wor. Brother,

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

ARTHUR H. BRAY,
Grand Secretary.

MEMO. BY THE MT. WOR. GRAND MASTER, SIR J. P.
ABBOTT, ON THE INVITATION OF THE GRAND
LODGE OF VIRGINIA.

This invitation appears to me to call for some consideration. The event is one in which all Freemasons who speak the English language can scarcely fail to take a deep interest. Recent events have shown that in spite of all political dissensions and commercial jealousies, there is between the great branches of the English-speaking races a bond of sympathy which is still strong, a yearning after brotherhood which refuses to be hushed. Should the desire, which occasionally finds utterance, for a union of all the English-speaking races ever be gratified, there seems little reason to doubt that Masonry, with its world-wide ramifications, can be made a potent factor in so happy a consummation. There seems to me to be a special reason why these colonies, now apparently on the threshold of their national manhood, should cultivate a closer acquaintance with the United States. We have sprung from the same stock, we speak the same language, we own the same traditions, and we are both destined to play an important part in that commercial awakening which must inevitably follow the events now transpiring in the East. It would therefore appear to be prudent that we should neglect no opportunity, however unimportant it may seem, which can assist in establishing a good understanding with our American cousins.

The occasion of the Centenary Celebration of the death of Wor. Bro. Washington seems to me to offer such an opportunity. I suggest that the question be referred to the Board of General Purposes for consideration. It is, of course, somewhat early to make any definite arrangements, and it might be well to communicate with the other Grand Lodges in the colonies, which have doubtless received a similar invitation, with a view of obtaining their views on the matter. If a separate representative can not be sent from each Grand Lodge, it might be practicable to obtain the services of some distinguished brother to represent all the Grand Lodges of Australia. The gathering promises to be one of the greatest in the history of the Craft, and I personally should like to see our Grand Lodge represented.

(Signed) J. P. ABBOTT.

The report was adopted and the Board given full power to act.

The Committee on Past Grand Rank presented a full report on the matter, it being doubtful whether Rule 7 of their Constitution was sufficiently explicit and it being intimated that it conferred no such authority. The committee was industrious in seeking information as will be seen from the following extract from their report:

Answers were asked to the following questions: (1) What is your practice? and (2) Whether you have any recommendation to make on the general or any particular aspect of the question?

Replies were received from 23 Grand Lodges in the United States, 2 Grand Lodges in Canada, 2 Grand Lodges in Europe, 4 Grand Lodges in Australasia.

Of the 23 Grand Lodges in the United States, 21 have no such rule or practice and 2 add that they object to other Grand Lodges conferring Past Rank; 1 adds that it thinks it illegal; 1 adds that it thinks it ridiculous and not creditable, and recommends abandonment of the practice; 1 adds that it considers the rank fictitious and not truthful; 1 adds that it could confer such Past Rank if it liked to do so; 2 add that they do not see why other Grand Lodges should not confer Past Rank if they like to do so; 1 adds that it would not criticise such acts by other Grand Lodges; 1 states that it has conferred such Past Rank once, and 1 states that it has repeatedly conferred such Rank upon its own members, and upon other brethren.

Of the Canadian Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia has the same rule as England and New Zealand, and thinks it gives power to confer Past Rank upon its own members. British Columbia has no such practice; it even refuses Past Rank to appointed officers who have filled their respective positions, reserving this privilege to elected officers.

The two European Grand Lodges have no such practice.

Of the four Australasian Grand Lodges, New South Wales and Tasmania agree with our Grand Registrar; and South Australia disagrees, but thinks that by unwritten law the Grand Master can confer Past Rank. New South Wales thinks Grand Lodge can confer Past Rank on any one; while Victoria and Tasmania think that the Grand Master alone can confer such.

From the above replies it is evident that there is no universal Masonic custom; also, that our Rule 7 is not sufficiently explicit. Indeed, as will be seen, it has been so interpreted as to warrant conclusions directly opposite to each other.

If it be desired to retain provision for conferring Past Rank, the committee would recommend that Rule 7 be deleted from the Book of Constitution, and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:—

"Honorary Past Grand Rank of such distinction as may be thought proper may be conferred by Grand Lodge upon brethren of eminence and ability (whether belonging to Lodges in New Zealand or not) who have rendered service to the Craft; and in cases where such brethren are not already members of Grand Lodge they shall be constituted members thereof by virtue of such Honorary Past Grand Rank."

Your committee having, in accordance with its order of reference, and because of the difficulty of bringing its members together, acted by separate consultation, a copy of the report now submitted was forwarded to each member of the committee for final consideration and approval, and agreed to, except by Mt. Wor. P. G. M. Bro. Henry Thomson, who writes:—

"Past Grand Rank—I do not approve of the proposed new clause, and for the simple reason that Past Grand Rank is to be

obtained by New Zealand brethren other than by election to office in the usual manner. I prefer the clause as it stands."

The committee would further recommend that Grand Lodge confirm all Past Grand Ranks previously conferred by it.

The report of the committee was adopted and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

Richard J. Seddon, Grand Master; William Ronaldson, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

Annual, April, 1899.

Grand Master Richard J. Seddon, presiding.

The Board of General Purposes reported that the Prince of Wales had accepted the office of Grand Patron of that Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of England having passed a resolution providing that Lodge Warrants were not to be cancelled until the expiration of three months from date of receipt by the Grand Secretary the object stated being "the preservation of the rights and privileges of minorities," the Board replied as follows:

"That this resolution is opposed to the clause of the terms of recognition, which says that 'a majority of two-thirds of the brethren present shall be required to enable the Lodge to tender its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand,' and consequently, in such cases, there can be no 'rights and privileges of minorities' that need preservation."

Richard J. Seddon, Grand Master; William Ronaldson, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

One Hundred and Twelfth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master Walter E. Moore reports satisfactory Masonic progress during the year. He recommends the restoration of fraternal relations with Peru and that they be severed with the Grand Lodge of Washington.

He pays a deserved tribute to Bro. John H. Mills, the founder of the Oxford Orphan Asylum and its first superintendent.

He had no decisions to report. He submits the invitation to take part in the Washington Memorial observance and hopes that the Grand Lodge will be represented on that occasion.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

From the Grand Secretary's report we glean the following: Number of Lodges, 307; membership, 10,954; net gain, 454. He reports the receipt during the year of a portrait of Past Grand Master Benjamin Smith, who served from 1808 to 1810. He was a warm personal friend of General George Washington and was appointed aide de camp on his staff with the rank of Colonel at the breaking out of the Revolutionary War. He afterwards became a General.

The various reports in connection with that noble charity, the Oxford Orphan Asylum, are full and complete in detail as to expenditures and the work that is being accomplished in caring for the 217 children under its charge and training them for lives of usefulness.

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented an exhaustive report on "Negro Masonry," with resolutions of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington until it should rescind its action, which report and accompanying resolutions were adopted.

The same committee endorsed the following resolution, which had been referred to it and it was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that the ceremony of laying a corner stone should be held in open Lodge, called and announced as being held for that purpose alone.

The special committee on Washington Memorial reported in favor of accepting the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia and recommending an appropriation of \$50 towards defraying the expenses of said centennial and also \$100 towards the expenses of delegates of the Grand Lodge who may attend. Report adopted.

Bro. John A. Collins presents his third Report on Correspondence, which is a most able summary and a model of conciseness. Colorado for 1897 receives an appreciative review in which the essentials of Grand Master Roe's address are epitomized and a commentary made on the business of the session. Bro. Johnson's oration is commended and he says: "Bro. Johnson certainly deserves well of his brethren for having furnished an intellectual repast of a high order."

We quote the following: "It is gratifying to know that the Washington Memorial ceremonial, first suggested by the Colorado brethren, has met the approval of the Fraternity of America, and that the Grand Lodge may congratulate itself upon the success of its patriotic and fraternal efforts."

E. J. Noble, Selma, Grand Master; J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Ninth Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master Robert M. Carothers opens his address with an able prefatory discourse upon Masonry and the symbolic tools which are presented to candidates in the several degrees, with their moral application, and the use that is to be made of them in the upbuilding of character. We quote the following:

Ignorance of the teachings of our Order often leads us into error of speech and action. After receiving the Master's degree, we too frequently fall into the serious fault of thinking we are masters. The brother contents himself with thinking he is possessed of the body of Masonry when, in fact, all he possesses is the skeleton. The Mason who, having become familiar with the ritual of the Order, thinks himself well posted is as far from the fact as the child who, having learned the alphabet, believes himself well educated. Both have made a good beginning and both have that which, if followed, will lead to the desired result; but which if it inspires contentment will leave the one as lacking as the other. We do not all have time to read a great amount of Masonic literature, but we deprive ourselves of many of the best lessons intended to be taught by neglecting to study some of it.

He says that for the first time in their history they were called upon to mourn the loss of one who had occupied an elective grand office. The Grand Master then announced the death of Past Grand Master William H. Best, to whose memory he paid a deserved tribute.

He had granted eighteen dispensations to confer degrees out of time. In explanation he mentions as unusual contingencies the rush to Alaska and the war with Spain.

He granted a dispensation for a Military Lodge to be attached to a battalion of troops from that state in the Philippine islands. In this connection he says:

Few, if any, of my official acts have given me greater pleasure than this. Nearly every commissioned officer in the command signed the petition for dispensation. Through what channel can the officer and soldier be brought nearer together in friendship and mutual understanding than through a Masonic Lodge? Many of the members are of our newly made brethren, to whom this Lodge will be a means of inspiration and instruction. Every meeting will be a reminder of some of the last scenes in the home land, and in the hands of such of her sons the honor of our beloved country is safe. When our brothers return and deposit with this Grand Lodge the furniture and records of their movable Lodge, North Dakota Military Lodge will have passed into history crowned with the memory of men who did their duties in defense of principles all Masons love.

I would recommend that all Masons, members within this Grand Jurisdiction and now in the military service of the United States, be relieved from all Lodge dues, and their Lodges from Grand Lodge dues on them, during the continuance of such service.

Subsequently the Committee on Military Lodge presented the following report, which was adopted:

Masonry teaches us that it is the duty of all Masons to be loyal and true to the government under which they live; that patriotism, the love of the country, is the highest and noblest and best quality of the human heart. We, therefore, most heartily recommend the unanimous approval of the action of, and recommendations made by, our Most Worshipful Grand Master relative to the granting of a dispensation for a Military Lodge in the Philippine Islands, and that the dues of all Masons, members within this Grand Jurisdiction, while in the military service of the United States during the war with Spain, be remitted, and their Lodge be relieved from paying Grand Lodge dues on them during the continuance of such service.

In view of the wide diversity of opinion on this question, the above will be read with interest as a strong appeal in favor of the practice.

Two dispensations were granted for new Lodges.

He submits a list of seven decisions, all of which were approved.

The following, which was adopted, is in the nature of a new departure and should result in the spread of intelligence among the brethren of that jurisdiction:

Your Committee on Morals and Dogmas respectfully recommend that each particular Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction be required to present to each Master Mason hereafter raised, and at the time of raising, a copy of the Morals and Dogmas of the Symbolic Degrees, as compiled by our late Bro. Albert Pike, with a

promise from the candidate that he will read the same at his earliest opportunity. Said copy of Morals and Dogmas to be paid for by the Lodge.

Your committee further report that these books can be obtained from the Grand Secretary at the expense of seventy-five cents per copy.

The amendment to the By-Laws requiring proficiency in the lecture of the Third degree within sixty days after the conferring of same, was laid on the table.

No Report on Correspondence.

Geo. H. Keyes, Ellendale, Grand Master; Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Tenth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master George H. Keyes gives utterance to some noble thoughts suggestive of the duty of Masons to do all within their power to advance every noble cause. He announces the death of Bro. Thomas J. Wilder, Past Grand Secretary, and also that of Bro. Frank A. Briggs, Past Grand Treasurer, and at the time of his death Governor of the state. Both of these brethren are a great loss to the Fraternity of that jurisdiction.

He reports four decisions, two of which were modified before approval.

He laid two corner stones, being those of the new Masonic Temple at Fargo and the State Industrial School.

He had granted five dispensations for new Lodges.

He commends the Washington Memorial, but the committee to whom the matter was referred, by its report which was adopted, placed the Grand Lodge of North Dakota in rather an unenviable attitude. We reproduce the report for the benefit of our Colorado brethren:

Your Committee on Washington Memorial report as follows:

That we revere the memory of our exemplary craftsman, George Washington, and approve the spirit of patriotism and respect which calls for the memorial in question.

Your committee, for various reasons, has its doubts as to the success of the movement, and believe that this Grand Lodge can best promote the cause of Masonry by confining its efforts to its own jurisdiction.

We, therefore, recommend that this Grand Lodge contribute no funds and send no delegates to the said memorial.

The Masons of Fargo extended an invitation to the Grand Lodge to attend a theater party at the opera house, and we infer that it went as individuals.

By more than a three-fourths vote, Section 50 of the By-Laws was amended so that after the word "Provided" in the second line it shall read as follows:

That no one who has received the Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft degree shall be stopped in his advancement except by charges being preferred, which charges shall be heard according to our Masonic Code.

No Report on Correspondence.

John A. Percival, Devil's Lake, Grand Master; Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Thirty-third Annual, June, 1898.

The session was held at Lunenburg, and after the Grand Lodge had been opened in ample form by Grand Master Thomas B. Flint, a procession was formed, headed by a band, and marched through some of the principal streets to St. John's church, where divine service was held. An eloquent sermon was preached by W. Bro. Rev. George Haslom, the rector, who was also W. M. of Unity Lodge No. 4 of that town. After the services at the church were over the Grand Lodge and visiting brethren marched back to the place of meeting, where labor was resumed. At one o'clock the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 8:30 in the evening, thus affording the brethren an opportunity to avail themselves of the invitation of Unity Lodge to make an excursion by steamer up the La Have river.

Grand Master Flint, after words of fraternal greeting and a kindly word for Unity Lodge and the zealous brethren of the town in which the Grand Lodge had met for the first time, pays a tribute to the fraternal dead, among whom he names several Past Masters as well as Master Masons who deserved well of the Craft.

Upon the subject of non-affiliation he urges the necessity of an effort on the part of members of Lodges to induce those without the fold to again connect themselves with the Fraternity.

The Masonic Home for the Maritime Provinces is in no immediate prospect of becoming a reality.

In the matter of the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru in removing the Bible from its altars, he issued at once an edict of non-intercourse.

He had been as industrious in the matter of visitations as his parliamentary duties would permit, and taken part in public and private ceremonials of the Craft.

He says, regarding the invitation to participate in the Washington Memorial:

I have every reason to believe that the participation of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia in this ceremony will be heartily approved of by all the Masons of this jurisdiction, and will be gratifying to the brethren of the neighboring Republic.

Brief reports were also made of their official acts by the Deputy Grand Master and the Immediate Past Grand Master, the latter officiating during the absence of the Grand Master from the jurisdiction. This is an officer unknown to our American Grand Lodges, where the Deputy Grand Master acts in the absence of the Grand Master.

From the Grand Secretary's report we note a net gain of 44 and present membership of 3,453. He says there was not a single record of unmasonic conduct among that entire number, which speaks well for Nova Scotia as a land of steady habits and sound morals. There are, however, some who are poor in purse, as 61 brethren were suspended for non-payment of dues.

The recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium and the United Grand Orient of Portugal was deferred.

The Report on Correspondence was the joint production of Bros. T. V. B. Bingay, W. E. Thompson and the Grand Secretary, and the one who wrote one. Bro. Bingay, a busy bank manager, reviewed 21 volumes; Bro. Thompson "married a wife," went on a tour of the Dominion and the United States, and yet got away with 22; the third member managed to worry through *one*, when the Grand Secretary sprang into the breach and grasped the contents of the other 17 still in the hands of the latter, unreviewed.

Colorado for 1897 fortunately fell into the hands of a very busy man, namely, Bro. Bingay, and of course received a creditable review. The address of Grand Mas-

ter Roe and the business of the session is well summarized. Bro. Johnson's oration is pronounced very learned and eloquent, and an extract made therefrom.

He agrees with us as to the publication of details in appeal cases. We quote this personal reference:

Bro. Greenleaf is a firm believer in the antiquity of our Fraternity, and loses no opportunity to defend his belief against "modern ideas and the iconoclasts," and the arguments he adduces are not easily explained away nor controverted.

Thomas B. Flint, Yarmouth, Grand Master; William Ross, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

Eighty-ninth Annual, October, 1898.

Grand Master Nelson Williams, who is also a fellow poet, prefaces his address with the following original stanza:

It seems but yesterday since last we met;
A year is but a breath of time, and yet
How few, how very few of them we live,
And how very little thought to them we give!
We breathe and live; God's sunshine warms the soil
In which we grow; but contest and turmoil
Ere long, like breath of hoary frost, do chill
The tender stem, and all its petals kill.

After an invocation of acknowledgment to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for His protecting care, he devotes some two pages to patriotic sentiments in connection with the late war with Spain and its successful outcome. His closing paragraph is as follows:

It should be a matter of pardonable pride to the Free Masons of this state that the man who is dictating the policy, and whose hands are guiding the destinies of this nation, is a member of one of our Subordinate Lodges, and is to-day paying loyal obedience to the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

Under the head of Necrology he refers to the fact that their circle of Past Grand Masters reaching back a quarter of a century still remains unbroken. In the subordinate Lodges 636 members had answered the final summons. The distinguished dead of other Grand Lodges have fitting mention.

Their system of Lodge visitation and inspection seems to be thorough, being in the hands of twenty-five District Lecturers appointed by the Grand Master. He reports that of the 500 Lodges in the state, all but 27 had been visited and inspected. Of these 11 were in one district and 12 in another, and in one instance the Lecturer was appointed late, and in other omissions the Lodges had been negligent in fixing dates. The total cost of Lodge visitations was \$1,202.21, and the average cost per Lodge \$2.55. He had issued 106 dispensations and declined to issue almost as many more. He had refused all dispensations to confer degrees out of time. In this connection he says:

These requests have been more numerous than of late years, and more urgent, because of the enlistment in the army of many petitioners, and of brethren who had only taken one or two degrees. I should gladly have issued these dispensations had it been consistent with my understanding of the policy of this Grand Lodge. No landmark of our Order is more clearly established than the one which invests the Grand Master with the prerogative to grant such dispensations; but for more than thirty years our Grand Masters, nearly all of whom are still living, have refused to grant them, because they believed that hasty work was not for the best interests of the Craft. With an abiding faith in the judgment of these distinguished brethren, I have made the rule inflexible.

We believe that in the cases of Brethren who had taken one or two degrees, and who patriotically enlisted in the service of their country, it would have been eminently proper for him to have issued the dispensations asked for, as it was evident that they had not gone into Masonry with any ulterior object, since the contingency had arisen during their progress through the degrees. He also refused a dispensation to enable a Lodge to hold a special meeting for the purpose of electing to membership a Brother who had been holding a dimit from the Lodge for fourteen years, and who was upon his death-bed, and who wanted to affiliate in order that he might die a Mason. He responded to the request that he was not a firm believer in death-bed repentance. In our view the Lodge making the request was the best judge of the circumstances surrounding the case. Brethren after 20, 30 or even 40 years in the service of Masonry sometimes dimit because unable to pay dues, or unwilling that those upon whom they may be dependent should pay their dues

for them. Better that Masonry should err on the side of leniency, rather than by a fixed policy, to deal unjustly and uncharitably with a Brother..

He had granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

He arrested the charter of a Lodge on account of internal dissensions which it was found impossible to heal.

Seven corner stones were laid, six in person and one by proxy. The proposed structures were three public school buildings, three churches and a Masonic Temple.

He dedicated five Masonic halls and made a creditable record in the way of visitations, installations and participating in celebrations, several pages being required for their enumeration.

He submits a list of ten decisions, all of which were approved. He had received a great many letters regarding physical qualifications, and he is of the opinion that their law is not sufficiently explicit. We quote decisions Nos. 1 and 10:

1. In answer to the question, "Is an hermaphrodite entitled to receive degrees conferred by a Masonic Lodge?" I held: The ancient constitutions provide that an applicant for Masonic Degrees must be a *man*. An hermaphrodite, according to the books, is not a man, but a monstrosity, and therefore can not properly be made a Mason.

10. In answer to the question by telegraph, "Can Masonic funeral service be held over a Master Mason in good standing if body is to be cremated?" I replied: "Yes; if necessary change phraseology of funeral service."

He devotes a page to the discussion of the question of cremation in its Masonic phases in connection with the above decision.

The Committee on Jurisprudence more clearly defined the law regarding physical qualifications, by recommending the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved. That a candidate for the Degree of Entered Apprentice should be able physically, as well as intellectually, of himself, and without exterior aid or assistance from another, to receive and impart all the essentials for Masonic recognition; and the question as to his sufficiency in such respects is a subject presented to the Lodge petitioned for its determination.

They comment on Decision No. 10 as follows:

The views expressed by the Grand Master, following decision No. 10, the committee does not deem it necessary to indorse

or disapprove, as the disposition of the body after death is a matter that should be left with the relatives or friends of the deceased brother; and the Lodge, performing the funeral ceremonies, has no concern with such disposition not shared by the public generally.

Under the head of "Clandestine Masonry" he refers to the actions of those connected with the clandestine and irregular Grand Lodge of Ohio, and also reproduces his warning circular of September 8, 1898, which contained the names of 32 Lodges which were irregular, clandestine and unmasonic, holding allegiance to the same. Since the list was issued he had been advised of six additional irregular and clandestine Lodges. Ohio seems to have had more trouble in dealing with those who were connected with the Cerneau Rite than other jurisdictions. Whether the measures adopted were too severe, or whether the class affected by such legislation were more *obstinate*, we know not. In Colorado the Grand Lodge recognized certain Grand Bodies and organizations and their subordinates as regular, but prescribed no penalty should Masons of its obedience belong to Cerneau or other irregular and unrecognized bodies. Its action was of an advisory nature. It said in effect: "You are at liberty to amuse yourselves with fictitious rites and decorate yourselves with high-sounding titles, and absorb, if you so incline, a 1001 degrees, but we do not recognize them as having aught to do with legitimate Masonry." The consequence was that Cerneauism, the Royal Masonic Rite, etc., being let alone, gradually died out. At one time the Royal Masonic Rite (an amalgamation of the Rite of Memphis and the Ancient Primitive Rite) had an organization of some fifty members in Denver, with expensive paraphernalia, etc. Suppose that instead of simply ignoring these organizations we had inaugurated a fierce warfare against them, it is possible we might still have trouble on our hands such as vexes the spirit of our sister Grand Jurisdiction. The situation could not well be worse, if, as stated above, there are already 38 clandestine Lodges with the poison of illegitimacy still spreading. At this session two repentant brethren were reinstated as Masons, one of whom was the first Grand Master of the spurious Grand Lodge. It may be that their example will be followed by others who see the folly of continuing in opposition to legitimate and sole authority.

From the Grand Secretary's report it appears that there are enrolled in the 500 Lodges 42,848 members, showing a net gain of 1,155. The average gain for the past eleven years is 908.

The Grand Orient of Belgium was recognized.

The Special Committee on Washington Memorial warmly recommended the same, and the Grand Lodge is to be represented by its Grand Master or his proxy on that occasion.

We have already occupied too much space and must now turn our attention to the masterly Report on Correspondence by Past Grand Master W. M. Cunningham, who is recognized as one of the ablest writers in the guild. Bro. C., after a few words of introduction, prints the following from the pen of the well-known English Masonic writer, Bro. W. J. Hugban, which is valuable for the information it conveys regarding many obscure matters of Masonic history:

THOUGHTS ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

In response to the invite of the esteemed chairman of the committee, I have pleasure in writing a few thoughts on the Report on Foreign Correspondence. The whole volume published for the Grand Lodge of Ohio, and ably edited and in part compiled by the Grand Secretary, for the year 1897-8, is a remarkable work, and most creditable to all concerned, from the first page to the last; the tables are very valuable for reference, and the Report on Correspondence is one of Bro. Cunningham's best.

More than twenty years ago I wrote articles in the Ohio Annuals, when my old friend Bro. Caldwell was Grand Secretary; so this is not my first venture in that direction.

First of all, let me say, I do not believe in the recognition of the *Gran Dieta of Mexico*, and so am one with all those brethren who recommend leaving that organization alone, *alone for the time* at least, until it is purified and becomes thoroughly Masonic. As Bro. Cunningham says, "There is no necessity for any haste in that formal recognition," and to my mind hasty recognition of any body is to be deplored, especially one with such a past as the one of Mexico.

As to "Cerneauism," the pages devoted to that subject (422-6) have given it a quietus from which it can not rise again. Undoubtedly there is a wide distinction between a clandestine Freemason and one that is simply irregular. The latter may be healed; but assuredly not the former; for such a one is a Cowan, wholly outside the pale of the Craft, and always must be until accepted and initiated *de novo*. In the olden days Cowans were never recognized by the genuine operatives, and so never "healed." Their only place was outside the Lodge, permanently and irrevocably.

In respect to Masonic processions in Craft clothing, I published, many years ago, a still earlier instance than the one quoted from my lamented friend, "Vernon's History," viz., 20th of January, 1708, at Alnwick, North of England; Records of an old Lodge held there, with Minutes from 1701-3. (Freemason, 1871.)

"It was Ordered that for the future noe member of the said Mar Wardens or fellows should appear at [any] or the Lodge to be kept on St. John's Day in Christmas without his apron and Common Square fixt in the Belt; . . . that a sermon be p'vided and preached that day at the Church by some clergyman at their appoint'mt where the Lodge shall appear," etc.

Since then this valuable minute-book has been reproduced by the Rosecrucian Brethren of the Province of Northumberland and Durham (Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1895); but there is no word therein as to the corner of apron being tucked up. I have never known it done by or for a Master Mason, but for Apprentices or Fellow Crafts, those of the Third Degree wearing the apron in full form.

Bro. Greenleaf's Report for Colorado is well worth quoting from, and contains many points of special interest. The portions referred to, however, though not occupying much space, are so suggestive that I almost fear to glance at the questions discussed, because of lack of time and fear of occupying too much space.

Bro. Conder's history of the "Masons' Company" is most valuable, especially as it traces speculative Freemasonry back to 1631 and earlier; but as respects separate degrees (as with all Masonic records of that century), the matter is left undecided, as there is not a single minute which mentions a separate Master Mason's Ceremony in those old Records, as Bro. Conder frankly acknowledges. Neither two nor more degrees are noted, but only positions or rank.

As to there being no speculative Masonry prior to 1717, it is not worth refuting, the evidence being so ample and convincing of gentlemen being initiated throughout the seventeenth century in England and Scotland; but the *crux* is to find a minute of an Esoteric Degree being communicated during that period, from which Apprentices were excluded. There might have been such, but there is no evidence; so it is equally true that there might not have been. So far, we know not.

The Book of Constitution, 1738 (England) was as regular and as authorized, until superseded, as was its predecessor, from 1723 to 1738, and its successor, from 1756 to 1767, and so also the issue of a new title-page of 1746, else being quite the same as 1738.

Under Louisiana, I should like to point out to the veteran Reporter, Bro. Fellows, that though the "Ancients" of England had the Royal Arch from their first organization in 1751, the "Moderns" had worked that degree before then, so that the "Ancients" had not the monopoly of Royal Arch Masonry, as some claim, during that decade, as it can be traced back some ten years earlier, when the "Schismatics" did not exist. Neither am I aware of any Grand Lodge anywhere working three degrees, that can prove that either directly or indirectly it does not owe such knowledge to the Premier Grand Lodge of 1717.

Under Massachusetts, it seems to me a good decision that "a reasonable amount of music adds very materially to the impressiveness of our services."

The P. M. Degree, noted under Missouri, raises an important inquiry, and one that requires delicate handling. In England and Scotland that fanciful ceremony is dropped for a real ceremony on Installation of a Master. It seems to me wise to keep all degrees of a chivalric character quite distinct from the Craft, and hence I do not agree with the view expressed, under New Hampshire, as to "vouching," and it is doubtful, also, as to the position advocated under Oregon. In England three can hold a warrant, but there must be five brethren—not necessarily members—to hold a Lodge, and seven to initiate according to our oldest unwritten laws.

But I must conclude, as my time is up. I thank Bro. Cunningham most warmly for his capital Report.

W. J. HUGHAN.

Colorado for 1897 receives an extended notice of some four and a half pages, in which the salient features of Grand Master Roe's address are noted and the business of the session epitomized. Two and a half pages are devoted to our report, from which liberal extracts are taken. Bro. C. and ourselves are generally in accord on most important subjects. He digresses slightly to inform us that the nail which we thought Grand Master Sawyer of South Carolina had hit squarely on the head, in his discussion of Cerneauism, is not only a crooked one, but *pointless*. That may be so, Bro. C., but there is more truth than poetry in it. We have had occasion to deal somewhat with Cerneauism, and have found that where it was let severely alone, it gradually died out. In Ohio there has been a red-hot fight from the very start, and the angry Cerneaus have dragged the Grand Lodge into the courts and there has been no end of trouble. Now they have a bogus Grand Lodge with some 38 subordinates, and the number is said to be increasing. Ten of our American Grand Lodges report a less number of subordinates. In 1891 we introduced a resolution against this clandestine and spurious Grand Lodge of Ohio, which was adopted by our Grand Lodge. In 1888 we introduced a resolution "Defining Masonic Bodies," which was adopted by our Grand Lodge. This was a copy of those adopted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and other Grand Bodies, but omitting any *penalty*. It was in the nature of advice and instruction to the brethren as to what were regarded by this Grand Lodge as regular and duly constituted custodians of the structures that had

been erected upon the foundation of Ancient Craft Masonry, or perhaps more properly defined as the several offshoots or branches from the parent tree. Our moderate course accomplished its purpose, while those Grand Lodges which adopted stern measures, followed by expulsion and arrest of charters, find themselves still confronted with difficulties after eleven years of contention with these disturbers of the peace of the Masonic household. We sincerely hope that our brethren of Ohio will find some way in the near future by which this strife begot of Cerneauism shall receive an effectual quietus.

E. C. Gulliford, Cleveland, Grand Master; J. H. Bromwell, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

Seventh Annual, February, 1899.

Grand Master Enoch M. Bamford calls attention to the past year as having marked one of the most important epochs in the history of our country. He says that in the Oklahoma battalion were many Masons.

He reports Masonry in a prosperous condition, and an increase in the number of Lodges of over 25 per cent.

He had granted eight dispensations for new Lodges.

He issued several dispensations to confer degrees out of time on those entering the military service or about leaving the jurisdiction.

He submits a list of twenty-one decisions, three of which were disapproved and one modified.

The matter of "Negro Masonry" is discussed at length and he recommends that a committee be appointed to draft a letter to the Grand Lodge of Washington, urging it to retrace its steps.

Three corner stones were laid, two in person and one by proxy.

From the statistics we learn that the net gain for the year was 419; number of Lodges, 43; membership, 1,895.

Bro. Charles Day, Grand Orator, delivered an instructive address on the principles and truths enforced by Masonic teaching.

A special committee of five was appointed in accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Master, to prepare and forward a letter to the Grand Lodge of Washington.

The Report on Correspondence, by Bro. J. S. Hunt, is the principal attraction of the volume, and a great credit to the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma. In his preface he handles in a most able style the subjects of "Mexican Masonry," "Negro Masonry" and other live topics. He coincides with our views respecting the former, quoting our poem, "O! Grand Dieta!" by way of seasoning. The following is well put:

To those Grand Lodges who have so promptly endorsed by their recognition, all the sins of commission and omission of the Grand Dieta; all the subterfuge, deceit and denial of her shortcomings, and have denounced Peru for an infinitesimal part of the same offense, we will only express ourself by quoting: "Consistency, thou art a jewel."

Colorado for 1898 receives a fraternal and appreciative review of two and a half pages, in which Grand Master Tucker's address is given due attention and his decisions heartily commended. We quote as follows:

The Grand Lodge concurred in the disapproval of the committee of number 11, which reads as follows:

"It is not proper for a Lodge, at a regular communication, to close on the Third Degree and resume labor on one of the preceding degrees. The closing on the Third Degree should not be done until the entire business and work of the evening is completed."

We concur with the Grand Master; at a regular meeting, open on the Third Degree, for work in the other degrees; call off on the Third, open on either of the others; call off on them, resume labor on the Third, and close on same, has been the universal practice in our nearly forty years of Masonic experience.

The business of the session is summarized and our report given due notice.

W. L. Eagleton, Pawnee, Grand Master; James S. Hunt, Stillwater, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

Forty-ninth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master John B. Cleland, after the customary words of welcome, refers to the startling events of the past year and indulges in patriotic reflections on the results of the late war with Spain.

He pays a tribute to the fraternal dead of that and other Grand Jurisdictions. Among the former were Past Grand Master George M. Stroud and Past Junior Grand Warden Thomas L. Wallace.

He refers to the decree of the Grand Master of Peru, restoring the Bible to the Masonic altars of that jurisdiction, from which it had been banished by his predecessor.

He had dedicated a Masonic Temple and laid two corner stones.

He rendered twenty-seven decisions, all of which were approved.

We quote Nos. 5 and 9, concerning objection to advancement:

5. Q. A brother makes an objection to the advancement of a candidate upon the request of another brother; is such objection legal?

A. Yes.

9. Q. A candidate was initiated and not advanced because of objection made; it is two years since the first degree was taken. Can he be advanced without another ballot being had?

A. No; the legal effect of objection in this jurisdiction is the same as that of a blackball.

With regard to No. 5, great care should be used and advancement should only be stayed until the objector can appear in person. If he fails to do so, a second-hand objection should not hold good.

Decision No. 13 was as follows:

13. Q. Can a Royal Arch Mason, not being an actual Past Master, confer the Past Master degree on a Master-elect?

A. No; nor can Chapter Past Masters be present when the Past Master degree is conferred on a W. M.-elect. (See Proceedings 1896, page 133, decision of P. G. M. Malcolm.)

Subsequent action by the Grand Lodge resulted in the passage of the following resolution, which totally ignores the degree, probably on account of the intermin-

able wrangles of Chapter Past Masters and Actual Past Masters:

Resolved, That all laws and regulations of this Grand Lodge which refer to a Past Master's degree be and are hereby repealed.

He reviews at length the history of the Educational Fund, which had its inception in 1854. The Grand Lodge appropriated \$150 and passed resolutions authorizing Masters of Lodges to open subscriptions and requesting every Master Mason to contribute a sum not exceeding \$5.00 for the above purpose. The project of the permanent endowment of an institution of learning was soon abandoned, and in 1860 the fund amounted to \$6,059.33, and there had been expended \$130.00. Contributions ceased in 1863, and expenditures for educational purposes in 1867. From 1854 to 1868 the sum of \$996.47 was thus expended. In 1896 the policy was adopted of purchasing shares of stock in the Masonic Building Association, and in 1898 there was held 896 shares, with cash balance of \$12,567.14. We quote the words of the Grand Master:

The Trustee's report for the current year shows a still larger amount on hand, and it is evident that even if further stock purchases were desirable, the amount set aside for the purpose is too large.

For forty-five years the educational fund has been controlled by this Grand Lodge.

The excellent public schools established and maintained by the state, and the institutions of learning endowed by the liberality of public-spirited citizens, have fully supplied the demand that was anticipated in 1854.

It may be assumed the Masons of this jurisdiction have by common consent abandoned any purpose to found an institution of learning. It is certain the cases are few where assistance is required by the children of poor worthy Master Masons. More than thirty years have elapsed since any money has been expended for such purposes.

This review, which is fully supported by the record, presents for determination the question what disposition shall be made of the fund.

The position of the Grand Lodge is a novel one. It is the custodian of a fund which has grown until it amounts to \$100,000.00, and for almost half a century has been either unable or unwilling to adopt any plan by which the income can be applied to any useful purpose. It is certain the situation will not be relieved of embarrassment by increasing the fund or the income thereof.

He submitted a series of resolutions concerning the disposition of the income derived from the fund, it to be applied first to educational purposes, and the balance unexpended each year to be paid to the Grand Treasurer and applied to Grand Lodge purposes.

The Grand Lodge would not have it that way, however, and adopted resolutions providing for the education of children of indigent Masons whenever any such were found, and directing the chairman of the fund to exercise his discretion in the further purchase of shares and the best use of the funds in his hands for the benefit of said fund.

The Grand Master gave an exhaustive review of "Negro Masonry" and submitted a letter from the Grand Master of Washington concerning his interpretation and construction of the now famous resolutions, and also his answer to the same.

He recommended that the invitation to participate in the Washington Memorial be accepted, and the Grand Lodge pay the per capita assessment of 1 cent per member, which recommendations were subsequently adopted, and Past Grand Master Jacob Mayer was appointed to represent that Grand Lodge on said occasion.

The chief attraction of the volume before us is the Report on Correspondence by Past Grand Master Robert Clow, covering 189 closely printed pages, and embracing an exhaustive review of all American Grand Lodges except Arizona and North Carolina. Colorado for 1898 receives a courteous and painstaking review of over four pages, nearly two pages of which is devoted to Grand Master Tucker's address and decisions. We quote the following:

In No. 11 the Grand Master held that at a regular communication of a Lodge, it is improper to close in the Third Degree and resume labor in one of the preceding degrees. In this we think the Grand Master was correct, but the committee and Grand Lodge disapproved.

Regarding Decision No. 16, where a Mason hailing from the Grand Orient of Italy, whose Lodge was extinct, presented a diploma and certificate setting forth that fact, etc. He first quotes the decision and then comments upon it as follows:

Answer—That the credentials submitted are not sufficient for the purpose indicated, owing to the fact that reciprocal relations have not been established between the "Grand Oriente della Massoneria Italia" and the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

It seems to us the decision does not go to the merits of the question, and the query naturally arises as to what the answer would have been had "reciprocal relations" been established between the Grand Lodge of Colorado and the "Grand Oriente della Massoneria Italia." In that case would the credentials have been deemed "sufficient?" A certificate "setting forth" that the possessor had been a member of a defunct lodge would hardly pass muster in Oregon, even if accompanied with a diploma.

The business of the session is outlined in a running commentary, and a page and a half devoted to extracts from our report.

John M. Hodson, Portland, Grand Master; James F. Robinson, Eugene, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Quarterlies and Annual, December, 1898.

At the Quarterly held March 2, 1898, several amendments to the By-Laws were approved.

As a matter of information we note that the Committee on Printing reported having awarded the contract for paper, printing and binding 7,500 copies of the Proceedings of 1897 at the price of \$3.63 per page, to include also, the binding of 100 copies in half morocco. The work had been satisfactorily performed.

A communication was read from the Grand Master of Sweden, Brother King Oscar II., in acknowledgment of congratulations sent him by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on the occasion of his twenty-five years' Jubilee as Grand Master of the National Grand Lodge of Sweden.

On March 30, 1898, Grand Master William J. Kelly called a Grand Lodge of Emergency for the purpose of making (by virtue of his presence) Masons at sight. The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 1 o'clock p. m. An E. A. Lodge was opened when three candidates were separately introduced and received the first degree in Masonry.

E. A. Lodge closed and F. C. Lodge opened, and the three Brethren separately introduced and passed to the degree of F. C.

F. C. Lodge closed and same Brethren separately introduced the third time and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

Grand Lodge closed at 5:15 o'clock p. m.

One of the candidates was John Wanamaker.

Quarterly, June 1, 1898. Grand Lodge of New Zealand recognized.

Quarterly, December 7, 1898. The Grand Lodge by a unanimous vote adopted preamble and resolutions in testimony of its appreciation and recognition of the faithful service of R. W. Bro. Thomas R. Patton, Grand Treasurer, during a quarter of a century, and also referring to his munificent generosity in presenting to it the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund. Resolutions to be suitably engrossed, signed by the other Grand Officers and under seal of the Grand Lodge.

A silver loving cup was then presented to Bro. Patton on behalf of twenty-five Grand and Past Grand Officers. Bro. P., in a feeling manner, expressed his appreciation for the kindly sentiments expressed in the resolutions of the Grand Lodge and then tendered his thanks to the Brethren whose affection prompted the gift of the handsome loving cup.

Annual, December 27, 1898. The Committee on Correspondence presented a special report on the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning "Negro Masonry," concluding with a recommendation that fraternal relations be suspended until that Grand Lodge shall have withdrawn its recognition of the clandestine Lodges in Pennsylvania. The report was unanimously adopted.

We note distribution from Charity Funds as follows:

Grand Lodge Charity Fund, 430 applicants.....	\$3,678.00
Stephen Girard Charity Fund, 207 applicants.....	2,530.00
Thos. R. Patton Charity Fund.....	1,500.00

Bro. Julius F. Sachse delivered a historical address which was a valuable contribution to the early history of Masonry on this continent and of especial interest to the Craft in that jurisdiction. In addition to the researches of the late Grand Master Clifford P. MacCalla, the speaker presented new proof in the handwriting of Benjamin Franklin, being his daily account book and first ledger which he began July 4, 1730. In the journal referred to there is an entry under date of September 9,

1731, for "Blanks for Masons, 100, 0.5, 0." In his *Pennsylvania Gazette*, No. 108, of December 3 to 8, 1730, there is a statement that several Lodges of Freemasons have been erected within the Province. In the same publication, No. 187, June 19 to 26, 1732, Benjamin Franklin records the meeting of the Grand Lodge at Hubbard's Sun Tavern in Water street. Says Bro. Sachse: "It is this latter date which our friends who differ with us usually fall back upon when the seniority of their organization is called into question. The notice just read from the old account book, however, positively fixes our date of active life prior to September, 1731." Fac similes of both journal and ledger entries appear in the Proceedings, wherein are found charges to the Lodge at B(rother) Hubards under date of 1734. There are also fac similes of the heading and matter of *The Pennsylvania Gazette* above referred to containing the reference to several Lodges, also of the preface to "Mystery of Free-Masonry" in the same issue. Benjamin Franklin was not then a Mason. In February, 1731, he became a member of the Fraternity and doubtless regretted his publication of the so-called "Mystery" the previous year. The address is, as we have stated, of the greatest historical interest, but we have not the space to comment further. The question of priority must be left to the respective Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts and it is now in order for the latter to "go behind the returns" and records of the former if it can.

Grand Master William J. Kelly in his address referred to his services of the past two years and was pleased to end his term with a clean balance sheet, leaving his successor no open questions or complications in their foreign or domestic relations.

He reports the membership on December 27, 1898, as about 53,100 and the net gain about 1,057. Since December 27, 1896, there had been a reduction of the debt amounting to \$153,650.00, leaving their present indebtedness \$258,150.00.

Eight corner stones were laid, two in person and six by proxy. He laid the corner stone of the new Capitol Building at Harrisburg with imposing ceremonies, and used the gavel used by Brother George Washington in laying the corner stone of the Capitol at Washington, D. C., on September 18, 1793, which was loaned by Potomac Lodge No. 5, of Washington, D. C.

His decisions numbered twenty-eight. The Grand Master's declaration being law in that jurisdiction, they are not passed upon by the Jurisprudence Committee. With the exception of a few peculiar to that jurisdiction they are in accord with Masonic usage.

The Report on Correspondence was the joint production of the five members of the committee, Bros. Michael Arnold, S. K. McCay, B. W. James, C. J. McClary and J. M. Lamberton. Colorado for 1897 fell to the lot of Bro. B. W. James for review and it was accorded some three and a half pages. Grand Master Roe's address and decisions are summarized and the more important features and decisions reproduced but without critical comment. Bro. Johnson's oration is pronounced an able one and a page and a half devoted to extracts from same.

Henry W. Williams, Philadelphia, Grand Master;
William A. Sinn, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Twenty-fourth Annual, June, 1899.

The address of Grand Master Leonard Morris is brief and contains but little else than a record of his official acts.

He had laid a corner stone of a church and dedicated a lodge room; had visited a number of Lodges. He rendered one decision. He refers to the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning "Negro Masonry" and had referred the matter to the Committee on Correspondence. He is also pleased to announce that the Grand Lodge of Peru had restored the Bible to its altars, thereby again receiving fraternal recognition.

Their ranks of Grand and Past Grand officers remain unbroken.

A curious circumstance is the fact that the address and report of the committee on same, are of equal length, omitting list of fraternal dead in other Grand Jurisdictions in the former, the body of each covering about two and a half pages.

The benevolent fund is \$301.54, to which, through the generosity of a brother, \$100 was added.

The report on "Negro Masonry" was a reflex of the views adopted by the Grand Lodge of Maryland, concluding as follows:

That the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island trusts that the Grand Lodge of Washington have already taken such actions as will restore that peace and harmony which have ever characterized the family of American Grand Lodges.

There are twelve chartered Lodges and one U. D. and the membership is the same for 1899 as for 1898, namely, 526. The additions were twenty-three and the loss twenty-three, a clear example of *statu quo*.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the Grand Lodge to take into consideration the desirability of providing a "Masonic bed" in the new P. E. Island Hospital.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge appoint a committee to confer with similar committees appointed by the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to discuss the matter of union of the Grand Lodges of A. F. & A. M. of the Maritime Provinces.

John A. Messervey, Charlottetown, Grand Master;
Neil MacKelyie, Summerside, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

Twenty-ninth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master E. T. D. Chambers, after solemn invocation, words of welcome and congratulation, refers to the growth of that Grand Lodge since October 20, 1869, when twenty-one Lodges united in its formation with a very limited membership. Ten years ago the membership was 2,820, and he is proud to say that they have now fifty-six chartered Lodges and two U. D., with a total membership of 3,400. This, considering the peculiar circumstances operating against Masonry in that Province, he regards as a remarkable showing.

He is moved to speak encouragingly of the progress made in the great struggle in the cause of humanity as evidenced in the late war of the United States with Spain and also that of England with Egypt.

He makes tender mention of the death of R. W. Bro. the Rev. T. H. Lloyd, Grand Chaplain, and the fraternal dead of other Grand Jurisdictions.

He had issued but one dispensation for a new Lodge.

He rendered the following decision, which was approved:

In the case of a complaint that a member of a Lodge had openly threatened that a candidate would be rejected, I advised that charges for unmasonic conduct should be preferred against him.

In the Lodge referred to in the last decision, the application of a candidate was withdrawn before ballot, because of the alleged threats already referred to. A motion for the return of the proposition fee was objected to, and the D. D. G. M., who was present, and appealed to, gave it as his opinion that the fee was forfeited to the Lodge. I decided that by a vote of the majority of its members, the Lodge, if it saw fit, could dispose of this portion of its funds by returning it to the applicant.

He refers to the failure of the mediatorial efforts of P. G. Master W. T. Walkem of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, to adjust the differences between the Grand Lodge of Quebec and the Grand Lodge of England, owing to the retention by three English Lodges of their charters after the sovereignty of the former Grand Lodge had been established. Nine years ago the edicts of non-intercourse were withdrawn at the request of M. W. Bro. Walkem. The present situation is thus summed up by Grand Master Chambers:

The Grand Lodge of Quebec has long and strenuously endeavored, by all the means at her disposal, to attain the end to which M. W. Bro. Walkem's efforts were directed. The sovereignty of this Grand Lodge is so firmly established and so universally recognized that its dignity can no longer be affected by circumstances over which it has no control, or a division which it has done its best to heal. I am thankful to say that our relations with our brethren of the English Lodges in this city are at present those of amity, peace and fraternity. Nothing further would seem to remain to us than to await with patience the healing effects of time. Animated by the same zeal, moved by the same impulses, devoted to the same objects, bent upon the same beneficent mission, and combatted by the same hostile influences as we are, our brethren of the English Lodges in Montreal are still separated from us; though to them the dividing line may appear but the narrow veil of jurisdictional sentiment. While wishing them well we can not conceal the fact that there are obstacles enough to the progress of the Order in Quebec without the added difficulty and paralyzing influences of a jurisdictional

dividing line; and that the lessons of Freemasonry will be best both exemplified and taught by a perfect solidarity of all the Lodges, in addition to our present unity of sympathy and purpose.

He announces the restoration of the Bible to its altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru and the resumption of fraternal relations.

Full and complete reports from the District Deputies appear in the proceedings as usual.

One hundred dollars was voted for the purchase of fifty copies of M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham's "Outlines of the History of Freemasonry in the Province of Quebec."

The Grand Chaplain, Bro. H. A. Brooke, delivered an instructive discourse on character building.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Bro. Will H. Whyte in his graphic and concise style. Colorado for 1898 has an appreciative review of over two pages, in which Grand Master Tucker's address is summarized and the essential features of the session preserved. He coincides with us in our remarks concerning "Non-affiliates, physical qualifications, etc."

B. Tooke, Montreal, Grand Master; J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

One Hundred and Eighth Annual, May, 1898.

Grand Master Cyrus M. Van Slyck extends welcome and reports a steady and healthy growth in the mystic art.

He makes mournful announcement of the death of Past Grand Master Thomas Vincent and fourteen Past Masters, members of the Grand Lodge, accompanying each with Masonic data.

In his record of visitations we note the following as of interest:

January 26, 1898. Saint Alban's Lodge No. 6, Bristol. On this day Bro. William Earle Cook reached the unusual age of one hundred years. (Should be 101 years according to our record, he being a little over two months older than Bro. Adna A. Treat of Denver.) He was made a Mason in Saint Alban's Lodge February 3, 1819, and is a charter member of Eureka Lodge No. 22. By

trade a blacksmith, he worked at his trade until he was ninety-two years old. There is little doubt but that he has been a Mason longer than any man now living. Saint Alban's Lodge honored herself and recognized in a fitting manner the centenary of Bro. Cook's birth by electing him an honorary member of the Lodge.

Among his decisions we note the following concerning the date of Lodge anniversaries, which is of interest, as Denver Lodge No. 5 numerically of this jurisdiction claims precedence as the pioneer Lodge, and proposes to enforce its claims against all comers:

In answer to the question whether a Lodge desirous of observing its centennial should take as a basis for its calculations the date when dispensation was issued, or the date of its charter, I replied that with the exception of the two Lodges bearing the name of St. John, Lodges in this jurisdiction, so far as I could learn, were numbered and took precedence according to the dates of their respective charters; that a Lodge under dispensation is simply an assembly of Masons licensed by proper authority to do Masonic work, and has no corporate or quasi-corporate existence, and that membership in a regular constituted Lodge is no bar to membership in any number of Lodges under dispensation; but that it seems to have been customary, where a Lodge under dispensation receives a charter and continues its existence thereunder, to consider the Lodge under dispensation and the Lodge under charter as practically the same Lodge; that I saw no impropriety in selecting the date of the granting of the dispensation as the date of the creation of the Lodge, for anniversary purposes, and that the propriety of the choice of dates may well be left with those having in charge the observance of the anniversary.

He discusses at some length the use of the stereopticon in the Lodge lectures, on which subject there is much difference of opinion. As the only large collection of slides were destroyed in the great Masonic Temple fire in Providence, he had deemed it wise to prohibit its use until the Grand Lodge should express its opinion. He also prohibited the use of robes until authorized by the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Grand Officers' Reports presented their report on the decisions of Grand Master W. H. Crawley in 1897. The second decision called forth lengthy comments and was as follows:

That the Lodge can not drop from the roll a member who was in arrears in dues at the time of his suspension by the Grand Lodge, and no dues can accrue while said member is under sus-

pension. After the expiration of suspension the Lodge may take action in conformity to Sec. 23, Article VII.

The committee reached this conclusion after discussion of the question:

The question as to whether dues can accrue against a suspended member is not settled absolutely by Masonic law or practice. The consensus of opinion seems to be that where a member is suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, or is dropped from the roll for the non-payment of dues, the dues shall accrue during such suspension, but that where he is suspended for unmasonic conduct for an indefinite time, dues can not accrue. We are of the opinion, however, that where a member is suspended for a definite term, and upon the expiration of the time, at once takes his seat as a member of the Lodge without any action on the part of the Lodge, that there is no good reason why dues should not accrue against him during the time of suspension. Dues are not a sum paid by the member as an equivalent for the privileges enjoyed in the Lodge. But they are the sum deemed necessary for the maintenance and support of the Lodge. As originally established, the expenses of the Lodge for a given time were ascertained and the amount divided equally among all the members. We think, therefore, that so much of the decision as forbids a Lodge to take action upon a member while under suspension, with the intention of striking his name from the roll, should be sustained, but that so much as decides that during the time of a definite suspension for unmasonic conduct no dues could accrue, be modified.

The report was received, but action thereon postponed until next year. The position maintained by the committee is a novel one, namely, "that dues are not a sum paid by the member as an equivalent for the privileges enjoyed," but for "the maintenance and support of the Lodge." We are of those who believe that dues should not be charged against a suspended member, and we shall await with interest the action of the Grand Lodge of this old though small jurisdiction.

No Report on Correspondence.

Cyrus M. Van Slyck, Providence, Grand Master; Edwin Baker, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Annual, April, 1898.

M. W. Bro. S. J. Way, Grand Master.

The Board of General Purposes presented their report, which is largely of a local character.

The Grand Master had ordered a warrant for a new Lodge and had laid the corner stone of a new Masonic Hall.

We extract the following as of interest:

A communication has been received from the Grand Lodge of Virginia, U. S. A., to the effect that it is proposed to hold commemorative ceremonies upon the occasion of the centennial anniversary of the death of Wpl. Bro. George Washington, at Mount Vernon, Virginia, on the 14th day of December, 1899, and conveying an invitation to the M. W. the Grand Master or some other brother whom he may appoint, to be present. The M. W. the Grand Master of New South Wales, Bro. Sir Joseph Palmer Abbott, has, through the Grand Secretary, expressed his opinion that the occasion is of such great importance as to demand the serious consideration of the Grand Lodges of Australia, and suggests that if a separate representative can not be sent from each Grand Lodge, it might be practicable to obtain the services of some distinguished brother to represent all the Grand Lodges of Australia. The board is of opinion that the event is one worthy of the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Australia, and favors the appointment of some worthy and distinguished brother to represent Australia at the memorial celebration at Mount Vernon. The board has placed itself in communication with the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales upon the subject.

Non-intercourse was declared with the Grand Lodge of Peru for its action in removing the Bible from its altars.

There are 39 Lodges on the roll, with a total membership of 2,332, being a net gain over the previous year of 66. The sum of £380 was expended in benevolence.

No Report on Correspondence.

Samuel J. Way, Adelaide, Grand Master; J. H. Cunningham, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

One Hundred and Twenty-second Annual, December, 1898.

Grand Master Jacob T. Barron, after invoking the guidance of God in their deliberations, has the painful announcement to make of the death of Bro. Richard S. Parcher, District Deputy G. M. (The Grand Lodge also mourned the loss of Past Grand Master William K. Blake, who died in January, 1898, but of which fact the Grand Master had not been advised, owing to the neglect of the brethren at Spartanburg.)

He has this to say regarding the condition of Masonry:

While in some Lodges, and even in some sections of the state, Masonry is not flourishing as it should, I am glad to be able to report that, as a rule, we see much that is encouraging, and in many instances satisfactory. I find that the officers are becoming more familiar with the revised ritual, and, as a natural consequence, the attendance is generally larger, and more interest is displayed. The extreme low price of cotton, causing a "financial depression" that is painfully felt throughout our state, has no doubt kept down a large increase in our membership; but I have great faith in the happy results sure to flow from a uniform ritual and the visits of Grand Lodge officers to Subordinate Lodges. I do not attach much importance to numbers. Instead of taking membership as the evidence of our condition, let us remember that it is only when we reflect in our daily lives the teachings of our noble Order, that we can truly say we are prosperous.

He had visited some fourteen Lodges during the year.

He had granted one dispensation for a new Lodge and two for the revival of old Lodges.

Several dispensations were granted to confer degrees out of time.

He reports two decisions concerning physical qualifications, which were approved. They were as follows:

1. Question. A man is able to give and receive both the manual and pedal signs, being in possession of all the functionary organs thereto appertaining. He is, however, a so-called "cripple." In his youth he sustained some injury, which made one portion of his body contract, and he limps very noticeably; however, without the aid of either stick, crutch or other assistance. Is he eligible?

Answer. He is not, under Art. 111 of the Constitution, which says, the candidate must be "not deformed or dismem-

bered at the time of making, but of hale and entire limbs, organs and members, as a man ought to be."

2. Question. A man wished to apply for initiation who got his right arm hurt, which caused his little finger and the one next to it to crook in. Will that debar him?

Answer. Yes. Art. 111 of the Constitution requires that every applicant shall be "of hale and entire limbs, organs and members as a man ought to be." It can not be claimed that even a man's little finger and one next to it ought to be crooked in. If they ought not to be crooked in, he is debarred under that article of the Constitution, for under its terms anything that is not as it ought to be, debars the applicant.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Peru, the Washington Memorial and "Negro Masonry" receive due consideration.

The Grand Lodge subsequently appropriated \$60 for the Washington Memorial, the sum asked for by the Virginia committee.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a special report on "Negro Masonry," which was unanimously adopted, together with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Washington having seen fit, at its last annual communication, to pass a resolution recognizing as legitimate the negro Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodge of South Carolina wishes to express its most unqualified condemnation of this action, and hereby severs all fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington and its subordinates.

The Grand Lodge also adopted the following:

Resolved, That the committee appointed to prepare a ritual for opening and closing the Grand Lodge, be and are hereby instructed to also prepare a proper ritual for the Masonic burial service, and that said committee be paid per diem and mileage.

One of the most impressive burial services was drawn up by Rev. Bro. Albert Case, of South Carolina, and adopted by the National Masonic Convention at Baltimore, Md., May, 1843. This service contains the familiar sentences: "We are born to die. We follow our friends to the brink of the grave, etc." "They rest in the stilly shades, etc." Some jurisdictions considered the above as *secret* work and so taught it. If the present committee can get up anything to rival Bro. Case's work, we shall hasten to congratulate them, and South Carolina will score another success in a sublime service for the burial of our dead.

The number of chartered Lodges is 182, and 3 U. D. Total membership, 5,840.

We are pleased to find the usual Report on Correspondence, by Bro. Charles Inglesby, which was omitted last year. It takes first rank among such productions, every jurisdiction being given extended notice and the whole condensed within 119 pages by the use of small type. Colorado for 1897 is accorded two pages, in which Grand Master Roe's address and decisions receive appreciative comment and the business of the session concisely noted. After kindly reference to our report, he quotes the poem "O! Grand Dieta!" with the following preface:

Want of space prevents us from making extracts, but we *must* give the following from Bro. Greenleaf's conclusion. It is too good to lose. It not only proves that he is a wit and a wag, but also very level headed.

B. J. Witherspoon, Lancaster, Grand Master; Chas. Inglesby, Charleston, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

Eighty-fifth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master William H. Bumpas, after words of warm welcome, gives utterance to eloquent sentiments of patriotism suggested by the stirring events of the late war with Spain.

He had issued two dispensations for new Lodges.

He submits a list of twenty-nine decisions, all but three of which were approved. Among his rulings on physical qualifications were these:

No. 3. A man with left hand off at wrist was eligible for the degrees.

No. 12. A man with right hand off at wrist can not receive the degrees.

The restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars in Peru calls forth the following:

We should feel thankful for this triumph of true Masonry over the efforts of a few benighted men who doubtless were in the confidence of the Roman Catholic Church. Many jurisdictions have spoken upon this new hope given Masonry in Peru. and becomingly so.

The "Home" is very dear to him and he can not say too much in its praise and in the extension of its noble sphere of usefulness.

He makes an eloquent plea for the old Mason:

Brethren, you have comfortable and happy homes; the comforts of life surround you. Many of you are not only blessed with the comforts of life, but fare luxuriously; the larder is never empty. You sit at a well-supplied board; cheerful fires greet you as the winter's cold approaches. Your home has the air of comfort, and ease, and pleasure. You have borne your part in the battle of life, and you have been richly rewarded. God has abundantly blessed you, and now, as age advances, you rest serenely, free from care and anxiety. But, my brethren, there are those who have not such homes. The cold winter winds howl about them and whistle through the crevices and doors of their humble abode. They sit beside a scanty fire, and the fare in the humble place is rude and coarse. It is procured from day to day, and by dint of hard labor; and with some who can not work, suffering and want are ever present. The old Mason; the friendless Mason; have you not seen him? Have you not heard of him? He lies not down to pleasant dreams; he sleeps not upon a bed of down, but, perhaps, three-score years and ten, he lies down anxious for the future, lest the morrow add another burden to those already resting upon him. Are you willing that he shall be homeless, that he shall thus live from day to day, alone and friendless, with no one to help him, no hand to soothe the aching brow, no one to lend a staff as he descends the hill? You have met him oftentimes in the Lodge rooms; you have sat at the same banquet table; you have pledged with him the same vows; you have sung with him the same songs; the grand principles of our great and glorious society have been oftentimes enunciated by him for the benefit of others. Once upon a time he was a leader among men, and an exemplar among Masons. He had friendly words for the friendless and kind words for the sorrowing. He gave freely of his means, and the widow and the orphan were always included in his donations. He has filled well the measure of his duty, and now that his days are almost ended, he looks with longing eyes to that far-off and beautiful land, where the "wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest." Let us draw close to him, and put around him our arms, and give to him our hearts, and tender to him our purse, that these last days may be sweet and happy days; that resting from life's strife, he may contemplate the beauties of our noble profession, and patiently wait the summons from the Grand Master. If you build a home for the old Mason, it will be an honor to the state, and a pleasure to you that will reflect itself back upon your life in coming years. More than a decade ago courageous men stood upon this floor and fought the battle for your Widows' and Orphans' Home. Then there were but three Masonic Homes in existence in the United States. To-day nearly every jurisdiction has made an effort to build one, and thirteen have erected Homes. In most of those Homes the old Masons are received, as well as the widows and orphans. As dearly as

we love the cause of the widow and the orphan, we love the cause of the old Mason none the less, and we to-day boldly assert that the next decade will witness the same progress in the care of the old Mason that has been made for the widow and the orphan.

He says \$2,000 will build a home for present needs.

He pays a splendid tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master A. M. Hughes, who had been a member of the Grand Lodge for sixty years and was their oldest Grand Master. He died at the ripe age of 87 years.

A fitting tribute is also paid to the memory of Bro. John R. Frizzell, Past Grand Secretary.

We reproduce the following as worthy of careful consideration, the sentiments expressed being in accord with our own:

NON-AFFILIATES.

We feel constrained to say a word concerning the non-affiliate Mason. During the year we have had many conversations with brethren who are out of the fold, and in the majority of cases the non-affiliate has lost his membership by peculiar circumstances, or the unkind and seemingly unmasonic treatment in regard to the payment of dues, or the failure to obey summonses. All of them had kind words for the Fraternity, and we have thought that if an effort were made to restore these brethren by words of kindness and of good example, Masonry would be the gainer. Masonry to-day needs every worthy non-affiliate, and every worthy non-affiliate needs Masonry. Brethren, let there be a concert of action in this direction, and wherever you can possibly lend your influence in this direction by restoring a brother to his membership, don't fail to do so. You are simply discharging a high and sacred duty, as you meet your misguided brother upon the highway of life, unprotected and uncared for by the great Fraternity, when you invite him back into the home of his early manhood. His heart will respond, if rightly approached, to your good invitations, and instead of being left alone without the comforts and the joys of our great and ancient society, he will be lifted into a better and a higher plane of living, and his life will be filled with good things and good works, and when he comes to die you will lay him away with loving hands, that sacred rite to which all good Masons are entitled.

He warmly commends the Washington Memorial, and trusts that Tennessee will be suitably represented on that occasion.

He refers the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington to their serious consideration.

He urges a revival of the old-time and honored custom of celebrating the festival of St. John, June 24,

which, of late years in that jurisdiction, seems to have been more honored in the breach than in the observance.

We must omit other matters marked for reference, as we have already given up our space to liberal extracts from the address.

Full and explicit reports are given of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, from which it appears that the total cost of the maintenance of 108 inmates was, per capita, \$55.66 per year, or a fraction over \$4.63 per month.

Fraternal relations were indefinitely suspended with the Grand Lodge of Washington.

The Grand Lodge decided in unmistakable terms that no saloonkeeper should be installed Master of a Lodge in that jurisdiction, though elected to the office.

Past Grand Master George H. Morgan again presents a most valuable Report on Correspondence, in which Colorado for 1898 has full consideration. Liberal extracts are made from Grand Master Tucker's address, and four of his decisions quoted. He comments on one of them as follows:

A man who has lost the last three fingers and the first joint of the index finger of the left hand, is not eligible to be made a Mason.

We think he ought to be. In Speculative Masoury, why should a man be more than competent to receive and communicate the ritual? This, it seems to us, is all the physical perfection required.

From which it will be seen that he discerns no symbolism in the old requirement, but probably regards it as an heirloom from operative Masonry.

Joseph H. Bullock, Paris, Grand Master; John B. Garrett, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

Sixty-third Annual, December, 1898.

Grand Master John L. Terrell, after a warm-hearted Texan welcome to the brethren, proceeds as follows:

While we should ever be thankful to the Great I Am for His merciful guidance and protection, we have especial reasons to magnify His holy name for that He has sustained and shielded us in such remarkable ways during the year now drawing to a

close—a year which will be memorable in the annals of our country.

In the turmoil of battle on land and on sea, the hand of Providence has guided the destinies of our nation and our men in the great cause of humanity, made manifest in the wonderful achievements of a liberty-loving people against tyranny and oppression, while at the same time He has knit together the hearts of our own patriotic citizenship and obliterated what of division may have been left among the people of our own land and flag, till we feel that all the earth should sing: "O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before His presence with a song."

From all parts of our great jurisdiction come the glad news of peace and harmony among our near 30,000 brethren.

Our Lodges are prosperous and we feel confident that these Masters come with buoyant spirit to enter upon the labors of this communication with renewed love and esteem for the works of our ancient and honorable institution.

There had been no deaths in their official ranks, but he remembers the fraternal dead of other Grand Jurisdictions. He granted six dispensations for new Lodges. One of the petitions was signed by but 13 members, but there was no Lodge in the county and it was sixty miles to the nearest Lodge.

Five Lodges passed out of existence. Eight dispensations were granted to Lodges to lay corner stones.

Concerning the conferring of degrees out of time he adopted a most wise rule, and one which was in marked contrast to refusals of some Grand Masters under the same circumstances. We quote his language as follows:

In the beginning of the war with Spain, many applications were made to me for dispensations to confer degrees out of time, or without waiting the usual length of time. I granted those that came within the following rule laid down by me:

Where the brother had recently received the E. A. or F. C. degree, but before a declaration of war or hostilities had begun, and could not have well applied for advancement sooner, and having enlisted, was about to leave the country with his company to take part in the war against Spain.

Under these circumstances I granted five dispensations to confer the Master Mason's degree before the expiration of the usual time, the law in other respects having been complied with, and the applications having been made in conformity with the Constitution.

But he was not able to rise above the "money question" and do a gracious act, non-payment of dues being the one unpardonable sin in Masonry. Read the following

and rejoice, ye sticklers for strict interpretation of Masonic law:

I was requested to grant a dispensation to a Lodge to bury a man who was very prominent and much beloved in Texas, but who had been suspended from his Lodge for non-payment of dues. I declined to grant the dispensation.

He refused to grant a dispensation for a military Lodge.

While many of his refusals were based upon just grounds, the following in our view seems rather harsh, as the candidate is made to suffer for the neglect of his Lodge.

John Armstrong Lodge made application for a dispensation to examine and ballot upon the petition of a brother for the Master Mason's degree at a called meeting, they having neglected to do so at the last stated communication, and the brother being compelled to leave the state before the next stated meeting. I, however, refused to grant such dispensation.

He submits ten decisions, one of which was 'disapproved. Some of the others which were concurred in showed conflicts between different articles of the By-Laws, which were amended by the Grand Lodge. He calls attention to the great cost attending the dissemination of the work. During the past five years there had been paid to Delegates and Committee on Work the large sum of \$20,402.24.

The matter was subsequently referred to a Special Committee, who presented majority and minority reports, the former of which was adopted. It was shown that the expenses of the committee and delegates attending School of Instruction for thirteen years was \$44,059.82, half of which had been expended in the last six years. Upon their recommendation the laws were amended so that there is to be a material reduction in pay and mileage hereafter of the Committee on Work.

The Grand Master refers to the subject of "Negro Masonry," having derived such information as he possessed regarding the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington from the address of the G. M. of Kentucky, which he deemed sufficiently authentic, and he had referred the matter to a special committee. This committee presented an exhaustive report on the subject, embodying the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge hereby suspends all intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington, A. F. and A. M., and forbids its subordinates and members from having any Masonic communication or intercourse with Lodges or Masons owing allegiance to the said Grand Lodge of Washington.

Past Grand Master Thomas M. Matthews furnishes, as usual, a most able and interesting Report on Correspondence, and condenses the same within the limits of 98 pages. Colorado for 1897 is given two pages of his valuable space. We quote the following comment on Grand Master Roe's decision concerning the Gran Dieta of Mexico:

The third, as it seems to us, places our Colorado brethren in rather an anomalous or embarrassing attitude as regards some at least of those of other jurisdictions. In this ruling it is said "no Lodge shall affiliate or admit as a visitor a Mason hailing from and made in any Lodge chartered by the Gran Dieta of Mexico." We are not now going to argue the question of the legitimacy of Mexico Masonry. Upon that subject we have, in former papers, said all we care to say, either here or hereafter. But the Gran Dieta has been recognized as a regular, legitimate, sovereign and independent Masonic Grand Body by at least a score of the Grand Lodges in the United States, with all of which the Grand Lodge of Colorado is in fraternal correspondence. Toltec Lodge, of the City of Mexico, working the York Rite (composed mainly, if not wholly, of former citizens of the United States, some of whom may possibly be from Colorado and may have been made Masons in Colorado Lodges), was first chartered by the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Two years or so ago it surrendered that charter, and giving its allegiance to the Gran Dieta, from it received the charter under which it now works. Does the Grand Lodge of Colorado deny that these Masons are not good and true men and Masons, and will it refuse them admission to its Lodges? To us it seems, to say the least, that this ruling places the Grand Lodge and its subordinates in a very strange position towards the jurisdictions which have recognized and entered into fraternal relations with the Gran Dieta, and especially so towards the members of Toltec Lodge, who, no one knowing them will deny, are both regular and legitimate Masons. The only reason assigned for this decision is that as yet "reciprocal relations have not been established between the Grand Lodge of Colorado and the Gran Dieta."

In our 1896 report we took the above facts into consideration, besides the case of the 700 brethren at Monterey, and virtually recommended *quasi* recognition pending formal application on the part of the Gran Dieta. But the developments and misrepresentations of the succeeding year induced a change of opinion.

He agrees with us in our remarks concerning the publication of details in appeal cases, and says he joins us in our protest whether it does any good or not.

He concludes with this personal reference:

"His verses addressed to the Gran Dieta of Mexico entitle him to the crown of 'Poet Laureate,' which, had we not gone out of the copying business, we would reproduce, for while we are not at all in accord with the sentiment, we must confess they are well written."

Thanks, Bro. M., for your good opinion of our rather caustic impromptu.

Sam R. Hamilton, Farmersville, Grand Master; John Watson, Houston, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

Twenty-eighth Annual, January, 1899.

Grand Master John F. Hardie reports peace and harmony and a most cordial union among the brethren. Due caution has been exercised in the selection of material, and though their numbers are small compared to other jurisdictions, he finds consolation in the thought that it is quality, not quantity, that wins in the long run.

He makes mournful announcement of the deaths of Past Grand Master Edmund P. Johnson and Past Senior Grand Deacon Stephen S. Schramm.

He had visited most of the Lodges and thus by personal observation informed himself as to their condition.

He reports the restoration of the Bible to Masonic altars by Peru. He deferred issuing an edict directing the resumption of fraternal relations, preferring to leave the matter with the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Upon the report of that committee subsequently fraternal relations were resumed.

The war with Spain furnishes a text for the utterance of exalted sentiments of patriotism, and he recommends the insertion of a Roll of Honor in the Proceedings inscribed with the names of the Masons of that jurisdiction who went forth to fight for their country. Upon the roll as published are the names of eleven patriots.

Two Lodges suffered the loss of all their property by fire. One, that of Uintah Lodge No. 7, met with their loss in the great fire of June 19, 1898, which swept away the business portion of Park City. On July 1 he issued a duplicate charter, and July 9 a dispensation to hold an open air meeting on the top of a high mountain overlooking Park City on the evening of the 13th day of the same month. We quote his words descriptive of the event:

The site chosen for this event was on the top of a mountain almost due north from Park City, with a plateau running east and west. A finer situation could not have been found anywhere, and being over 8,000 feet above the level of the sea, the view was of the grandest description. Having chartered a special train over the Utah Central, with Jos. G. Bywater, Past Master of Mt. Moriah No. 2, as engineer, and accompanied by 181 brethren from our Utah Lodges, and 27 from sister jurisdictions, we left Salt Lake City at 4:30 p. m. on the afternoon of the 13th of July, arriving in Park City in due time, where we were met by the brethren of Uintah Lodge and escorted by them to the chosen place of meeting. Sentinels having been stationed to guard against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers, the Lodge was opened in due form, and the regular business was proceeded with, first in order being the receiving of the Grand Lodge Officers, and the dedicating of the altar and the mountain top to Masonic uses. Speeches bearing on the importance and solemnity of the occasion were made by Past Grand Masters Dalby, Scott, Gash and myself, our Grand Secretary, and the Worshipful Masters of Wasatch, Mt. Moriah, Argenta, Story, Weber and Tintic Lodges. It was after 11 o'clock when the Lodge was closed, and torches being procured, we made the descent of the mountain, reaching our train without accident, and after having spent a most delightful time with our Park City brethren and partaken of their bountiful hospitality, we started for home, arriving there in the "wee sma' hours ayont the twal."

The Washington Memorial receives from him warm commendation.

The Grand Secretary's report is explicit as to detail, and shows the condition of the Lodges and their work; in fact, it is an address of itself. The statistics show a net gain of 17, present membership 807, number of Lodges 9.

The Lodges disbursed for charitable purposes \$1,472.61, ranging from \$578.50 by Mt. Moriah Lodge to \$10.00 by Story Lodge. Uintah Lodge, although it lost everything by the fire, assisted its suffering members with \$200.00, and the smallest Lodge in the jurisdiction, Corinne No. 5, laid \$136.55 on the altar of the Goddess of Charity.

The Lodges have in their treasuries \$9,957.32, and value their Lodge properties at \$12,965.00.

The Grand Lodge appropriated the per capita quota asked for by the Grand Lodge of Virginia for expenses of Washington Memorial.

The report on "Negro Masonry" was adopted, together with the following resolutions:

Resolved, first, That we regret exceedingly the action taken in this matter by the Grand Lodge of Washington.

Resolved, second, That we dissent both from its premises and conclusions, and can find no warrant for the departure from long established customs which must result from such action.

Resolved, third, That we fraternally implore our brethren of that state which bears the name of the foremost great Mason of the land, as they love the institution of Freemasonry, and desire to maintain that harmony which should ever prevail among us, to gather to their full strength at their next annual communication, and rescind the action which is the cause of so much alarm and unrest among the Fraternity, East, West, North and South.

Bro. Christopher Diehl, Committee on Correspondence, presented the following, which was adopted:

Upon examination of the documents presented, we find that in 1880, the said Grand Orient severed its connection with the Supreme Council, A. and A. S. Rite of Belgium, and that it had since and has now full control over the first three degrees of Symbolic Masonry in the jurisdiction.

The Grand Orient is recognized by the mother Grand Lodge of England and by other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients in Europe and other countries. It is, seemingly, an independent Masonic Grand Body, but as yet has only been recognized by five North American Grand Lodges, namely: New York, Montana, Nevada, New Brunswick and North Dakota. *Festina lente* (hasten slowly) has always been the rule of the Grand Lodge of Utah in recognizing foreign Grand Bodies, and it has never yet recognized a Grand Orient. We therefore recommend that the matter be continued in the hands of the committee to note the actions of other Grand Lodges and to report next year.

The Report on Correspondence was written by that veteran reviewer, Bro. Christopher Diehl, it being his twenty-third. It is characterized by wisdom born of long experience. The proceedings of fifty-six Grand Lodges are condensed within the limits of 105 pages, Colorado for 1898 being accorded three of that number. Grand Master Tucker's address is epitomized, and his decisions briefly noted. Of that referring to the candidate on a high

license ticket in a town election, he says: "Masonry and politics are two different things. Score one for Grand Master Tucker." The business of the session is kept well in view and its salient features noted. In his notice of our report we find the following, which we reproduce:

We extract the following, which we find under Illinois:

"He, Bro. Joseph Robbins, falls into grave error when he infers that Masonry 'is an example of evolution from the simple to the more complex,' when the real fact is the ancients were in possession of the 'more complex,' which our ritualists have thus far succeeded in resolving only into a few 'simples,' to which many more must be added before we have the grand aggregation of sublime truths for which we are still in search."

The whole globe we mortals inhabit is an example of evolution, and Masonry, from the very nature of things that surround us, is not excepted from it. The whole world has and is everlastingly growing better and so is Masonry. Would Bro. Greenleaf tolerate in his Grand Jurisdiction such Lodge meetings as were held in England and other parts of the old continent during the infancy of speculative Masonry? Would he like to be present at the initiation of a candidate when the meeting would be held over or at a tavern, and all brethren present smoking pipes and drinking half and half? He certainly would object, and so would the present writer. We, too, like to delve, and do delve in ancient history, Masonic as well as profane, but we do confess that we often come across pages—dark pages, if you please—that make us thank our God that we live at the end of the nineteenth century. We may be called an iconoclast, because we believe in evolution of men and things, Masonry included, but we have been of that make-up all our life, and the very thought that the world and all men continually grow better, has given us many pleasant hours and days and weeks.

Our contention with Bro. Robbins had naught to do with the manners and customs of the brethren who were wont to meet in the old London taverns at the period referred to, nor with those of some of our modern Lodges where the outline of the personification of wisdom may be dimly descried through its envelope of cigar smoke. We were referring to Masonic symbolism or the mystery of the Craft. We had previously advanced the theory that Masonry was a perfect system at the start in opposition to that of growth or evolution since the speculative era of 1717. It was our discussion along this line that called forth the comments of Bro. Robbins. While our statement is rather a bold one, we stand by it until it is refuted. We have many historical facts on which to base

our argument, but we have no inclination to press them at this time. As to our views on this subject, they will be found in previous reports, should any one care to investigate further.

James D. Murdoch, Park City, Grand Master; Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

One Hundred and Sixth Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master Daniel N. Nicholson, after words of welcome and fraternal greeting, refers to the stirring events of the past year, with patriotic sentiments concerning the war with Spain.

He rejoices in the thought that the angel of death had spared their official ranks, and that every officer was present at that session.

He reviews the subject of "Negro Masonry" at considerable length.

He announces the restoration of the Bible to its Masonic altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru, and its request for the resumption of fraternal relations.

He submitted five decisions, which were approved with one exception.

The Grand Orient of Belgium was recognized.

Fraternal relations were restored with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a special report on the Grand Lodge of Washington, which, together with the following preamble and resolution, was adopted:

Whereas, The Grand Lodge of Washington by the adoption of certain resolutions at its annual communication in 1898 has in effect denied that Grand Lodges duly and legally constituted are supreme within their territory, and has signified an intention to recognize as Masons men belonging to clandestine and irregular Lodges; therefore,

Resolved, That the Grand Master is hereby instructed (unless said Grand Lodge of Washington at its annual communication, this year, rescinds its aforesaid action), to issue an edict suspending all Masonic intercourse between the Grand Lodge of Vermont, its subordinates and members, and the Grand Lodge of Washington, its subordinates and members, until the wrong is made right.

The Committee on Grand Master's address reported the following on Washington Memorial, which was adopted:

The proposed observance being national in character, we assume that the committee appointed by the Grand Lodge of Virginia in the carrying out of their instructions "to make all needful arrangements," especially those financial, issued the letter of June 6th, 1899, as well they might, asking for such contributions of money in aid of the enterprise as this Grand Lodge, its subordinates, or any member thereof, might be pleased to make.

Your committee most heartily commend the observance of the occasion and sincerely regret that the financial condition of this Grand Lodge will not justify an appropriation of money to be devoted to the purpose contemplated. We would, however, recommend that the matter of representation of the Grand Lodge of Vermont at the commemorative exercises be committed to the judgment and wise discretion of our incoming Grand Master and that such necessary expenses as may be incurred by him, or by his alternate, in the matter aforesaid, be paid by the Grand Treasurer from the general fund of the Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master Marsh O. Perkins presents the Report on Correspondence, which is a guarantee of its quality and excellent character. Colorado for 1898 is given an appreciative review of over three pages, in which the salient features of Grand Master Tucker's address are outlined and his decisions noted with occasional interjected comment. We quote as follows:

Somebody tried to make a political cat's-paw of the Grand Master by asking him whether it was a violation of Masonic law for a member of the Fraternity to be a candidate on a high license ticket in a town election. The Grand Master found on inquiry that a heated campaign was in progress, in which a ruling would be used as a weapon in the fight. He therefore diplomatically replied—now that the heat of the battle is over, we wish he would answer the question—that he must decline "to formulate an answer." Receiving notice that a Lodge had expelled a brother for non-payment of dues, he promptly interposed an oar by fraternally, but emphatically, notifying the Lodge that its action was null and void—possibly a Masonic oil of birch applied to the W. M. of the Lodge might have made a deeper impression upon all—that a Lodge merely imposes the penalty fixed by Grand Lodge in such cases.

The business of the session is well summarized. He agrees with us as to our views of a W. M. who can neither read or write.

W. S. Nay, Underhill, Grand Master; W. G. Reynolds, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

One Hundred and Twenty-first Annual, December, 1898.

Grand Master R. T. W. Duke, Jr., refers to the sad fact that they had met in the shadow of the greatest affliction that had ever in one year befallen that Grand Lodge—namely, the death of four Past Grand Masters, Wm. B. Taliaferro, John P. Fitzgerald, Wm. F. Drinkard and John R. Purdie, to whose memories tributes of loving affection are paid. He refers to the raising of a corner stone, perhaps the first ceremony of the kind, which we quote as of historic interest:

I had the pleasure on the 24th of November of attending the raising of the corner stone of the Masonic Hall of Lancaster Union Lodge No. 88, at Lancaster Court house, Va. This corner stone was laid in 1849. The building having been burned the Lodge was moved to Kilmarnock, in the same county, but the corner stone of the old Lodge building was raised on the 24th of November with appropriate Masonic ceremonies, under the auspices of Lancaster Union Lodge, Wor. W. McD. Lee, Master. This was the first time in the history of Virginia Masonry that a corner stone once laid with Masonic ceremonies was taken up, and the occasion was a pleasant and interesting one, rendered all the more enjoyable by the great hospitality and kindness of the kind people of the Northern Neck. Owing to the improper sealing of the corner stone, all of the perishable articles therein deposited had been destroyed, but the coins, some of which were antique and valuable, were entirely uninjured. I would caution the brethren who attend to the laying of corner stones, hereafter to be careful in seeing that the box holding the memorials is carefully sealed so that by no mischance water can get into it.

The six decisions rendered by him were approved. We quote No. 4, as it reflects the views we have frequently advanced. The committee on the address, while fully in accord with the sentiments expressed, did not feel like recommending any new legislation on the subject.

4. I decided, but with much reluctance, that a non-affiliate had no rights in Masonry. He has privileges, but no rights. I say "with reluctance," for it seems to me we treat non-affiliates with a harshness which should not exist. When a man enters our Institution he obtains certain inalienable rights. When for some reason, best known to himself, he dimits, he is still a Mason—a Mason in every sense of the word, except that he is not a member of a Lodge. The great aim and object, I respectfully

submit, of all law on this subject should be to get all the good non-affiliates back into Lodges. We can never do it with a club. I have found from personal experience that a little kindly talk, an invitation to come to Lodge, a hearty welcome when he came, and an assurance that he was still a brother, though not a Lodge member, has brought back in the Lodge more than one man, whom all the terrors of the law could not have restored to the fold. This equally applies to the unfortunate brother suspended for non-payment of dues. We punish him with a severity it seems to me his offense does not justify, making the failure to pay three dollars in one year as great an offense as drunkenness or misbehavior, and placing the unfortunate brother in the class of suspended Masons with whom to hold converse upon Masonic subjects is one of the greatest offenses.

Some Lodges have tried to get rid of this by having a by-law dropping the brother from the roll. Of course this, under our law, is vain. It seems to me the wisdom of this Grand Body ought to devise some means to soften the hardship of the present law. I know finances are the life blood of every institution, and that every member of a Lodge owes it and the Fraternity a duty financially; but whilst finance is the life blood, charity is the very life, the soul, of the institution, and we should deal with the non-paying brother in the highest spirit of charity. Before suspending him, before waiting his answer or non-answer to the citation, go to him in a spirit of brotherly love, enquire into his circumstances, find out why he can not pay, remit if necessary. If he is found unworthy don't be afraid to prefer charges and have him suspended for cause rather than let him be suspended for failure to pay money. I wish we could place the Masons suspended merely for non-payment of dues in some different class from the Mason suspended for wrong-doing.

He reviews "Negro Masonry" and the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington, and recommends the adoption of the resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Maryland as the proper course, which was subsequently done.

He had issued four dispensations for new Lodges, one of which was named Pedlar Lodge, so-called from Pedlar Ferry, and not from the contemplated peddling of degrees, as might be inferred.

He reviews the successive steps that have been taken to make the occasion of the Washington Memorial a success. He says:

From all over the United States and from foreign lands, from "Isles of the Sea," from far-off Australasia, have come letters of acknowledgment, encouragement, and promises of cordial co-operation.

He advocates in the strongest terms the cultivation of the social feature in Masonry and closes with this suggestion:

Little can be accomplished in formal business meetings, where even warmest friends sometimes clash. There must be friendly association in social converse, and I know of nothing better calculated to bring men together than entertainments in the nature of our old-time suppers, dinners, and receptions. The supper need not be that of Lucullus, the dinner cooked by a chef and served by trained attendants, nor the reception an affair of dress suits and studied formality. Nay, better the dinner of herbs where love is, than the stalled ox where love is not; and better an humble entertainment where the opportunity is given for friendly chat, a merry song or two, a few pleasant, clean jokes, and an early home-going, than stiff entertainment, no matter how elegantly served, if constraint is there. Cultivate our social features, brethren. Have at least once a quarter a modest entertainment in your Lodges. Don't meet and eat and run, but meet and eat and stay and talk and learn to know each other better. You will find it pays not only in the money chest, but in that treasury—which, if empty, God pity us all—the treasury of the human heart.

The Committee on Washington Memorial presented an elaborate report of many pages, giving valuable information as to the program to be followed. The ceremonies to be observed are to be a reproduction as far as practicable of those of December, 1799. The circular letters received by our Grand Lodge and by those of other jurisdictions contain the outline of these ceremonies and other particulars, so that it is unnecessary to reproduce them here. There is also in contemplation a memorial volume of the event, which will contain a full record of Grand Lodges participating therein, the addresses, etc., with historical data.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a special report containing a list of Grand Bodies officially recognized within the past twenty years. After striking out the Grand Lodge of Colon and Island of Cuba as not of the York Rite, though formerly recognized, and indicating their reasons for the addition of others, the report concludes with the following:

We recommend that the following be declared the Grand Lodges officially recognized by the Grand Lodge of Virginia:

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Belgium, British Columbia, Berlin, California, Canada, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, England, Egypt, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Indian Territory, Iowa, Ireland, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Manitoba, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska,

Nevada, Netherlands, New Brunswick, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, New South Wales, New Zealand, North Carolina, North Dakota, Nova Scotia, Oklahoma, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Rhode Island, Scotland, South Australia, South Carolina, South Dakota, Switzerland, Tasmania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Victoria, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

The afternoon of the second day of the session was devoted to the laying of the corner stone of All Saints' Protestant Episcopal Church in Richmond, by the Grand Lodge.

The reports of the fifty District Deputies are published, as usual, and contain valuable information as to the condition of the Craft in their respective districts.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Bro. J. W. Eggleston, and is filled with interesting matter, as well as clear views aptly expressed. Colorado for 1897 is accorded four pages. Grand Master Roe's address and decisions are the subject of lengthy comment.

His decision concerning non-admission of visitors hailing from Lodges chartered by the Gran Dieta of Mexico calls forth the following:

This seems to be for this year the one burning question and needs free and fearless discussion. Let it be clearly understood that nothing in this report is intended to wound or even criticise those of our brethren who belong to the numerically higher bodies of the Scottish Rite, for many of them are among our most loyal and devoted Masons, and are men who would not knowingly do wrong.

But to debate this question as it demands they must be considered as having nothing to do with the matter just as the Grand Lodges officially ignore such bodies in the York Rite.

The first question is how can we recognize a body which does not claim to be what we are but something else? What is Scottish Rite (in the symbolic degrees)? The question was a few days ago asked one of Virginia's 33° men if the first three degrees of Scottish Rite were essentially the same as ours, and he answered that they were not. Now what do we recognize if we accept Mexico? If the Gran Dieta is composed of the same men who, up to a recent period when they began to wish for recognition, initiated women, the question arises, have they been since obligated as we are? If not, how can we even debate the matter? They could not have been so obligated originally, or they would never have been guilty of what would *expel any Mason in America!* This ought to be sufficient for us. They are some other body than Masons as we know Masonry, and are no more entitled to Masonic recognition than the Knights of Pythias or the Odd Fellows, two noble orders, but not York Masons.

Again, they are largely Catholics and as such under the orders of their great head whom they consider infallible and all but divine, to ostracise and contend with Masons everywhere, individually and collectively, in every relation of life. (See the Bull to the anti-Masonic Congress held last year at Trent, Austria.) If those of them who remain Catholics disregard the orders of the Pope in this matter they are renegades, and we surely can not expect renegades to be faithful Masons.

Again, if they were able to show that their Scottish Rite essentials and obligations were the same as ours, and could satisfactorily explain the woman business and their former failure to acknowledge the greatest of our Great Lights, what are we asked to recognize? Not a Grand Lodge, for it is said to be nothing but a Dieta, or in the English a Diet composed of *Representatives* of Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge of England does, it is true, wield the powers of an Appellate Court over provincial Grand Lodges, but when they become strong enough and request it, their independence is recognized as in the case of New Zealand. This is no parallel to the position of a Grand Orient, but is purely a geographical regulation and a good one.

Now, pulling down without building up is a poor business, and to stop at a negative would be childish. We do owe something to Mexico, and something should be done. How would it answer to consider the territory unoccupied, as it is from any proper standpoint, charter Lodges there of our own kind and let them form *real* Grand Lodges for us to recognize without need for apology and with no fear of future disruption of our Institution? The members of Lodges composing the Gran Dieta can be initiated, passed, and raised in their Lodges and then be properly recognized.

He says of Bro. Jasper W. Johnson's oration that he would like the brethren of that jurisdiction to read every word of it. He gives such extracts as his space will permit, saying in conclusion:

These slight extracts will only serve to whet the appetites of all reading, thoughtful brethren. And again we must say we are sorry not to give this, the ablest and most scholarly document on this subject that has ever come under our eye, as a whole instead of mutilating it as we have been obliged to do. There is no taint of a 1717 origin of Masonry in it, but a full proof that Masonry is the most ancient of all human institutions, if it be human at all.

We quote the following:

So much space has been given to Colorado that our pleasant little discussion with Bro. Greenleaf on the Past Master's degree, if we must refrain from calling it the *Present Master's degree*, must, to use his words, "stay put," for the present, but it is evi-

dent that in Colorado the degree as given in R. A. Chapter is not the same as when conferred on a Warden by a Provisional Lodge of Past Masters. With us it is the same and we have no such thing as Lodges of (actual) Past Masters.

We would say that the degree in Colorado is the same, otherwise our remarks would have no application. Bro. E. will take note that we use the word "convention" instead of Lodge for purposes of distinction.

R. T. W. Duke, Jr., Charlottesville, Grand Master;
Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

Forty-first Annual, June, 1898.

Grand Master A. W. Frater in his opening makes eloquent reference to Masonry as a potent factor in the splendid civilization of this age. He propounds certain questions which he says they might ask themselves as individuals, as to the performance of duty.

He then pauses to note the sad inroads of death the past year, three Past Grand Masters and their venerable Grand Treasurer having been called upon to answer the last summons. They were M. W. Bros. Alfred A. Plummer, Elwood Evans and Rudolph Guichard, and R. W. Bro. Benjamin Harned. The latter had filled the office of Grand Treasurer continuously for the past thirty-one years.

He submits a list of eleven decisions, which, after slight modifications in one or two instances, were approved.

He reports the conviction and sentence to two and a half years in the penitentiary of one George Fleming, a Masonic fraud, who, under many names, had imposed upon the Fraternity for years.

He notes the tendency to reduce the fees for the degrees, but as he does not believe in cheapening Masonry, he opposes such action.

He recommends favorable consideration of the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate in the Washington Memorial observance.

He announces the action of the Grand Lodge of Peru in removing the Bible from its altars, and refers the matter to the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a special report restoring fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, which was adopted.

The special committee appointed at the last annual session presented their report on "Negro Masonry," covering several pages, and concluded with the following resolutions:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Having thus set forth our views upon the important subject submitted to us, your committee now submit to this M. W. Grand Lodge four resolutions, and recommend that they be adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, Masonry is universal; and, without doubt, neither race nor color are among the tests proper to be applied to determine the fitness of a candidate for the degrees of Masonry.

Resolved, That in view of recognized laws of the Masonic Institution, and of facts of history apparently well authenticated and worthy of full credence, this Grand Lodge does not see its way clear to deny or question the right of its constituent Lodges, or of the members thereof, to recognize as brother Masons, negroes who have been initiated in Lodges which can trace their origin to Prince Hall Lodge No. 459, organized under the warrant of our R. W. Brother Thomas Howard, Earl of Effingham, Acting Grand Master, under the authority of H. R. H. Henry Frederick, Duke of Cumberland, etc., Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of F. & A. Masons in England, bearing date September 29, A. L. 5784, or to our R. W. Brother Prince Hall, Master of said Lodge; and, in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of tracing such origin, the African Grand Lodge, of Boston, organized in 1808—subsequently known as the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the first African Grand Lodge of North America in and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, organized in 1815, and the Hiram Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania may justly be regarded as legitimate Masonic Grand Lodges.

Resolved, That while this Grand Lodge recognizes no difference between brethren based upon race or color, yet it is not unmindful of the fact that the white and colored races in the United States have in many ways shown a preference to remain in purely social matters, separate and apart. In view of this inclination of the two races—Masonry being pre-eminently a social institution,—this Grand Lodge deems it to the best interest of Masonry to declare that if regular Masons of African descent desire to establish, within the State of Washington, Lodges confined wholly or chiefly to brethren of their race, and shall establish such Lodges strictly in accordance with the landmarks of Masonry, and in accordance with Masonic law as heretofore interpreted by Masonic tribunals of their own race, and if such Lodges shall in due time see fit in like manner to erect a Grand

Lodge for the better administration of their affairs, this Grand Lodge, having more regard for the good of Masonry than for any mere technicality, will not regard the establishment of such Lodges or Grand Lodge as an invasion of its jurisdiction, but as evincing a disposition to conform to its own ideas as to the best interests of the Craft under peculiar circumstances; and will ever extend to our colored brethren its sincere sympathy in every effort to promote the welfare of the Craft or inculcate the pure principles of our Art.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to acknowledge receipt of the communication from Gideon S. Bailey and Con. A. Rideout, and forward to them a copy of the printed Proceedings of this annual communication of the Grand Lodge, as a response to said communication.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS M. REED,

WM. H. UPTON,

J. E. EDMISTON,

Committee.

The report and accompanying resolutions were adopted by an almost unanimous vote. In view of what has since occurred, it is perhaps "ancient history" to remark that the report and resolutions created such a disturbance of harmony among our American Grand Lodges as resulted in the severance of fraternal relations in several instances with the Grand Lodge of Washington, and in requests for their repeal in others.

Having before us for review the proceedings of 1899, with the subsequent action of this Grand Lodge, we are relieved from any further comment on our part.

We quote the following as of general interest to the Craft:

UNIVERSALITY OF MASONRY.

The following extract from a letter of a Brother in Alaska, addressed to Brother Bert Axe, of King Solomon Lodge No. 60, was read by the Grand Secretary, and, on motion, ordered printed with the proceedings:

Lake Bennett, May 24, 1894.

"I spoke to you of attending the death bed of E. A. Ireland, of Utah. Well, Ireland was a Mason, and a call was made for Masons to attend the body as far as Lake Linderman. About 175 Masons responded; these decided, after the funeral, to call an 'acquaintance meeting,' at which a large number of Masons attended. This meeting was addressed by Masons who belonged in the following countries: The United States, England, France, Germany, Canada, Austria, Sweden, Norway, New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands, Philippines, Canaries, Madagascar, Arabia, Morocco, Egypt, Mexico, South America, Palestine, etc.; in fact,

there were Masons from all over the world. Their talk was very interesting to me, and never before did I realize so forcibly the universality of Masonry. As several Masons are buried here, it was decided that each man should bring a post or a board to the burial ground on Monday following, at seven o'clock p. m., when a fence would be erected around the graves. Everyone responded handsomely, and at 11:30 p. m. we had finished the fence and had our photographs taken; and, by the way, there are hundreds of cameras, and Alaskan views will be very plentiful in Seattle by and by."

The Special Committee on Washington Memorial presented their report, with the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Washington fully concur in the proposed observance, and take part in the same; provided, that the part taken by this Grand Body shall not involve the same in any expense or indebtedness whatever.

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Master to be elected be and he is hereby authorized to appoint not more than seven members of this Grand Lodge to represent the same upon the occasion aforesaid, said representatives to pay their own expenses.

Resolved, That all matters of arrangement and detail of said ceremonial observance be referred to the M. W. Grand Lodge and Grand Master of Virginia.

The Report on Correspondence was written by Past Grand Master Thomas M. Reed and Bro. William H. Upton, the latter being credited with about one-third of the work. Like former reports, it is one of the ablest and most scholarly that has come under our notice. Colorado for 1897 receives a most fraternal review at the hands of Bro. Upton. In passing upon Grand Master Roe's address and decisions, he comments upon one of the latter in this wise:

No. 3 is not so remarkable as the Grand Master's explanation of it:

"There is no question in my mind but that the Scottish Rite Masonry is the lawfully constituted authority in Mexico, and that their action is entirely legitimate; yet, until such time as reciprocal relations are clearly established between that Grand Jurisdiction and ourselves, I most certainly think that we should withhold Masonic intercourse of every nature."

We have no admiration for the *Gran Dieta*, and no prejudice against the Scottish Rite; but why the right and duty of brethren to hold Masonic intercourse should wait upon the action of two grand bodies, is beyond our ken. Besides, will not some brethren be wrathful at this naive admission that setting up the *Gran Dieta* was the "action" of Scottish Ritters!

We quote the following:

Grand Orator Jasper W. Johnson delivered an address on the "Antiquity of Freemasonry" which abounded in quaint and curious lore much out of the ordinary ken.

After a brief summary of some of his references to the Bible and ancient lore in connection with Masonic symbolism, he takes issue with him in the following declaration:

"The *vis vitae*, the essence of all these secret Orders, in every country, from Seth * * * to this day, is * * * *'The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting.'* No Mason dare question the fact of facts—this is our creed."

To this last we must take exception: Masonry requires a pre-existing belief in a God; and she unfolds to those capable of appreciating them—but nowhere makes them a test of Masonic orthodoxy—a knowledge of His fatherhood and of the immortality of the soul. But she certainly does not teach the resurrection of the body. And some brethren prefer the term "brotherhood of Masons," to "brotherhood of man."

Our report is given nearly two pages of his space, but we have only room for the following in reply to our remarks concerning Dr. Anderson and the Constitutions of 1738:

We do not suppose Brother Greenleaf will contend for a moment that the approval of Masters and Wardens adds anything to the value of a book as a statement of facts of ancient history or immemorial law. It may well be that others—the Grand Lodge—were as responsible as Anderson for the statements in his books. Indeed, he may have written facts, and their "corrections" may have introduced the untrustworthy elements. It is not the *man* we are criticising, but his books. These certainly state many things not as they were, but "as the set with which Dr. Anderson was associated" wished them to appear. Nor, in warning Brother Greenleaf not to accept as gospel everything he reads in those books, have we any thought of denying the greatness of Anderson's labors, or of ignoring the great value of his books, *in spite of* their faults, which, as we have said, were those of his day. Hence we can join most cordially in Brother Greenleaf's conclusion:

The craft is under very great obligations to him [Anderson] for the preservation of much of its history, and whatever his errors and shortcomings may have been, we submit that it is time for writers to consider whether the good that he has wrought does not overbalance them.

Our contention as to the regularity of the 1738 Constitutions and their adoption by the Grand Lodge of England having been admitted by Bro. Wm. J. Hughan (see Ohio), we have silenced those who claimed that they had never been so accepted.

William H. Upton, Seattle, Grand Master; Thomas M. Reed, Olympia, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

Forty-second Annual, June, 1899.

Grand Master William H. Upton reports a season of unwonted prosperity for Masonry in that jurisdiction, not only marked by increase of membership and improved financial conditions, but in the strengthening of the ties of brotherly love. He pauses to pay a tribute to the dead and mentions by name the venerable brother, Rev. Harrison W. Eagan, who was for many years Grand Chaplain, and offers to his memory a simple and touching eulogy. He then gives utterance to these solemn reflections:

I shall offer no list of our brethren of the mystic tie, at home or abroad, who have gone to their rest. No list could fail to omit many for whom their brethren mourn. Our mourners go about the streets. "There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard." The noble in his palace, the peasant in his hut, have alike encountered the great leveler. "Storied urn and animated bust" seek to preserve the memory of one brother, "and some there be which have no memorial; who are perished, as though they had never been; and are become as though they had never been born." Shall we weep for them? Shall I mourn for him, that great executive of the eldest of Grand Lodges, who, within the year, has gone to join her who left him a few months before? What folly! It is for the living we should grieve, not for the dead. In my own Lodge a father mourns the loss of two sons, his only sons—mere boys, one of them a member of our Lodge—whose lives were given for their country in the far off Philippines. Let one sad case typify all, as we pray God's comfort for the homes where Sorrow sits.

But not by the loss of Brothers or sons is life most darkened. One there may be whose eye never beheld the light by which Masons work, but who yet so filled our life that when she went out of it, it was as though the sun had abandoned his place in heaven, and left chaos in his stead. God pity us were this the end of all: were we condemned to endure existence after

joy, desire, ambition had been buried with our heart beneath a green mound, with hope of nothing beyond. It can not be. Thank God for faith that Life and Love are deathless. Without that hope, self-destruction were a right. With it, for some of us death is no longer "a grim tyrant, but a kind messenger;" and every tie loosened from earth is become an anchor "both sure and steadfast which entereth into that within the veil."

Under the head of "Foreign Relations," after referring to Portugal, Belgium and Peru, he enters upon the question uppermost in his thought and reviews the action taken by other Grand Lodges in severing relations with that Grand Jurisdiction and noting the more conservative course of others. Our space will not permit the reproduction of these comments.

He had granted two dispensations for new Lodges.

He submits a list of twenty-one decisions and twenty-five opinions of an advisory character.

The following extract from a circular letter addressed to the Lodges cautioning them against permitting names to be dropped from the roll inadvertently, is one that may be read by all with profit:

"It is not the intention of our law that any worthy Brother should lose his membership, or that the Lodge should lose any members from this cause whom it wishes to retain, yet many names have been dropped in the past, from sheer neglect of ordinary attention to the matter at the meeting next preceding that for the election of officers.

"The Worshipful Master and other brethren who have the good of the Lodge at heart should carefully examine in advance a list of the members who owe more than the amount permitted by law; and at the meeting next preceding that for election, each name should be carefully and fraternally considered. If it is not affirmatively known that the brother is one whose name ought to be dropped, give him the benefit of the doubt, and either grant him another year in which to pay, or, better still, collect or remit enough of his dues to save his membership. Even without doing any of these things you can, by a majority vote, order his name not dropped.

"We can not be too charitable when judging a brother, or even his ability to pay his dues. Many a brother has walked the streets, during the last few years, without a dollar in his pocket; and because he kept a brave or smiling face, his nearest friends have assumed that he was prosperous; and many a brother with a fairly good income has duties towards family or creditors which he has a right to consider more pressing than the money demands of the Lodge. We should be slow in judging such men harshly, or assuming, from part knowledge, that they 'could pay if they wanted to.' And it is never harder for a man to come to his Lodge and ask for a favor than when he needs it most. I hope your Lodge will permit no brother to lose his membership who is absent in the army or in the Yukon mines."

Among his recommendations was one for a new Funeral Ritual, the modification of the Code regarding liquor dealers, also, concerning dropping from the roll, and the restoration of the Grand Representative system.

Bro. E. M. Parker, Acting Grand Orator, delivered a very able address on "The Spirit of Masonry."

The Grand Representative system was restored.

The action of last year annulling the edict against the Grand Lodge of Hamburg was rescinded.

We are compelled to omit much of interest in order that we may give place to the report of the Special Committee on "Negro Masonry," which was as follows:

REPORT ON "NEGRO MASONRY."

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Washington:

Your special committee to whom was referred the question of "Negro Masonry" and all papers relating to this subject, have carefully considered all of said matters submitted to them and respectfully report as follows:

Some of these papers are of the highest importance, and might, no doubt, be discussed with profit at great length; but we have observed a tendency in some quarters to confuse the opinions and arguments of your committee with the declarations of the Grand Lodge. For this and other reasons we consider it preferable to submit our conclusions without any extended discussion of the matters before us.

Accordingly, we recommend the adoption of the following declaration, and that your committee be discharged:

DECLARATION.

The Grand Lodge of Washington, in response to the several requests of the M. W. Grand Lodges of Maryland, Rhode Island, Virginia, Utah, Massachusetts and Maine, to the effect that it reconsider its action of last year in adopting four resolutions relating to the subject of Masonry among the negroes of America, printed at page 60 of its Proceedings of 1898, doth now fraternally declare as follows:

First, That it appreciates to the fullest extent the fraternal feeling and the zeal for Masonry which actuated its sister Grand Lodges in making the requests referred to, and the courteous language in which those requests, in the greater part, are framed.

Second, That it trusts its sister Grand Lodges appreciate the fact that these requests are presented to it at a time when it is facing attacks upon its autonomy and sovereignty which, if successful, would result not only in the destruction of its Masonic independence, but, ultimately, in the abrogation of that principle of local self-government, subject to the Landmarks only, which has prevailed among Masons from time immemorial; and as these assaults are connected with the resolutions to which our

brethren allude, this Grand Lodge would hardly be blameworthy if it declined—so long as an enemy is at its gate breathing threatenings and slaughter—to take any step that might be construed as a concession to threats, or that might encourage similar attacks upon it, or upon others in the future.

Third, That, notwithstanding these deterrent circumstances, feeling itself strong enough, with the blessing of God, to defend the interests of Masonry committed to its keeping, even against the attacks of misguided brethren, and being most desirous of promoting that harmony which all recognize as the very keystone of Masonry, in further continuance of its brotherly love and friendship for the M. W. Grand Lodges of Maryland, Rhode Island, Virginia, Utah, Massachusetts, and Maine, this Grand Lodge unhesitatingly and with unmixed pleasure declares its willingness to comply with said requests to the fullest possible extent.

Fourth, That accordingly it has carefully reconsidered its said action and resolutions of last year, with the results stated below.

Fifth, That this Grand Lodge does not see its way clear to modify in any respect the first of said resolutions, but reaffirms the same, as follows:

“Resolved, That in the opinion of this Grand Lodge Masonry is universal, and, without doubt, neither race nor color is among the tests proper to be applied to determine the fitness of a candidate for the degrees of Masonry.”

And, consonantly with the spirit of that resolution, this Grand Lodge would fraternally suggest to the whole Fraternity, and more especially to those Grand Lodges whose laws forbid the initiation of men of a certain race, the propriety of carefully considering whether such laws are not inconsistent with the spirit of Freemasonry, and whether they place beyond the pale of Masonry the bodies which enact them. Upon the latter of these questions this Grand Lodge expresses no opinion at this time.

Sixth, That it is manifest to this Grand Lodge that the second of its said resolutions, while entirely clear to all the members of this jurisdiction, has been very generally misunderstood elsewhere; and, in particular, that the latter part of it has been erroneously understood to accord recognition to certain organizations incidentally mentioned therein. Therefore, with the hope of removing all misunderstanding, and satisfying every reasonable objection, said resolution is hereby repealed. And, whereas, the relations of the Grand Lodge of Washington with the present M. W. United Grand Lodge of England during the whole existence of this Grand Lodge have been and now are of the most fraternal and cordial character. In view of this and other circumstances, including its own descent, the comity due from one Masonic body to another, and its duty to preserve harmony among its own members, this Grand Lodge does not see its way clear to deny or question the right of its constituent Lodges or of the members thereof to recognize as a brother Mason any man (otherwise in good Masonic standing) who has been regularly initiated into Masonry by authority derived, regularly and strictly in accordance with the laws of the Masonic Institution,

from the United Grand Lodge of England or from either of the two Grand Lodges which joined in forming the United Grand Lodge in 1813, so long as the regularity of such initiation remains unquestioned by the United Grand Lodge of England; provided, always, that such initiation conflict with no law of the Masonic Institution, and that the old Landmarks be carefully preserved.

Seventh, That whereas, the third of said resolutions has been widely—though erroneously, as this Grand Lodge believes—supposed to encourage the establishment of a second Grand Lodge within the State of Washington; and whereas, it appears to be open to the objection of pledging this Grand Lodge to a course in future years which may not be consistent with the judgment of the brethren then composing the Grand Lodge; and whereas, this Grand Lodge is not insistent upon any one plan for dealing with the matter to which that resolution relates, but is willing to consider any plan that may preserve harmony and subserve the ends of truth and justice; and whereas, the publication of that resolution for one year has served—with our own members and with all by whom the meaning intended was understood—all necessary purposes, and its further publication might lead to further misapprehension, therefore it is now

Resolved, That said third resolution be repealed.

Eighth, That this Grand Lodge fully confirms the several assurances given by its M. G. Grand Master during the year, that it has not accorded recognition to a second Grand Lodge in any State or country.

Ninth, That whereas, it seems to have been supposed by some of the Grand Lodges named above that this Grand Lodge is not in sympathy with the doctrine of exclusive territorial jurisdiction, and might favor dual Grand Lodges, this Grand Lodge declares that that supposition is erroneous, and that the circumstances in her history which appear to have led them to that opinion were, to a large extent, occasioned by her desire to avoid a course which she supposed might disturb the harmony of sister jurisdictions.

Tenth, That whereas, certain novel and erroneous notions upon the subject of Masonic government, pernicious and destructive if put in practice, have recently been asserted and adopted with the apparent desire of hampering this Grand Lodge and destroying its independence, this Grand Lodge most emphatically declares that while it expects to continue the practice of that comity towards and consideration for other Grand Lodges which have characterized every portion of its past history, it will not tolerate the slightest infringement from any source whatever, under claim of right, upon its powers and prerogatives as the sole and supreme constitutional head of a body of independent Masonic Lodges; and, in particular, it maintains that it is "amenable to no superior jurisdiction under Heaven." and, except during its own pleasure, is subject, in matters of Masonry, to no law except the Landmarks of Masonry and its own Constitution; and it totally repudiates, as a recent innovation and one destructive of harmony and subversive of inalienable Masonic rights, the idea that a Grand Lodge or its constituent lodges are legally and morally bound by regulations adopted,

without their assent, by other Grand Lodges. Nor can this Grand Lodge consent to tolerate the idea that her Lodges do not possess the plenary rights to determine for themselves—but for no one else—subject to review by nobody but herself, the status of all persons, claiming to be Masons, who knock at their doors, either for the purpose of visiting or as applicants for affiliation. This right has been inherent in Masonic Lodges since the dawn of Masonic history, and in the opinion of this Grand Lodge is not to be questioned; yet it is always to be exercised with due comity towards sister Lodges, and with the most strict regard for every law of Masonry.

This Grand Lodge has been led to make these declarations of her opinions and purposes as well by a belief that some fundamental principles of Masonry have been overlooked by those who have attacked or criticised her, and by a sincere desire to promote that harmony, which is the peculiar strength and support of our Institution, for the disturbance of which she is unable to consider herself in any way responsible. She makes no claim to inerrancy of judgment; and wherein she may be in error, whether in these declarations or in any other matter whatsoever, she will always be glad to correct her mistakes. She feels, however, that she is the peer of any Grand Lodge, and that her reason and her love of Masonry should be appealed to, instead of resorting to contumely, reproaches, and violence against her. The world witnesses that this has not always been done; and while she utters few complaints, grief and disappointment fill her heart when she ponders on the words and actions of some of those of whom she had reason to expect better things.

Finally, the Grand Lodge of Washington sends fraternal greetings to all true brethren throughout the world, of every race, clime, and creed.

May brotherly love prevail, and ever moral and Masonic virtue cement us.

JAS. R. HAYDEN,
THOMAS M. REED,
J. A. KUHN,
J. E. EDMISTON,
EDWARD R. HARE,
THOMAS AMOS,
J. M. TAYLOR,
Committee.

The report was adopted with only two dissenting votes. The Grand Secretary was instructed to prepare a circular letter embodying the report of the special committee, and forward a copy of the same to all Grand Lodges with whom they were and had been in communication; and also to the Lodges of that jurisdiction.

The Report on Correspondence by Bros. T. M. Reed and W. H. Upton contains 160 pages, almost entirely devoted to this vexed question.

Grand Master Upton prepared a valuable historical article entitled: "A Critical Examination of Objections to the Legitimacy of the Masonry Existing Among the Negroes of America," which occupies some 130 pages of the Report. Bro. Reed's contributions were "The Attacks on the Sovereignty of the Grand Lodge of Washington" and "Notices of and Extracts from Ostracising Threats and Resolutions of Other Grand Lodges Against the Grand Lodge of Washington." Bro. Reed's conclusion is also a valedictory. The pressing duties of Grand Secretary necessitates his retirement from the Guild and this was his last report—the first having been written forty-one years ago. With kind words he bids the "corps reportorial" a fond adieu.

William M. Seeman, Fort Steilacoom, Grand Master;
Thomas M. Reed, Olympia, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Thirty-fourth Annual, November, 1898.

Grand Master S. N. Myers extends fraternal greeting, notes the presence of less than a score of those who originally assisted in the organization of that Grand Lodge on May 10, 1865, and comparatively few who were connected with its early history and trials.

He then refers to the late war with Spain and gives utterance to patriotic thoughts in reference thereto.

From what he can learn he believes Masonry in that jurisdiction to be making a steady and healthy progress, but he found it almost impossible to give anything like an intelligent report owing to the failure of the District Deputies to send in their reports before the eleventh hour.

He has the mournful intelligence to communicate of the deaths of Past Grand Masters Odell S. Long and Gustav Brown, to whose memories loving and tender tributes are paid.

He had granted four dispensations for new Lodges.

He submits a list of ten decisions, all of which were approved.

The decisions regarding physical qualifications are in line with the ancient usages. Nos. 2 and 3 correctly define the two classes of objection after ballot.

No. 2. A Mason objecting to the conferring of the degrees upon an elected, but uninitiated candidate, is not obliged to divulge his reasons therefor.

No. 3. It is the Masonic duty of a member who objects to the advancement of an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft after ballot had been had, to prefer charges in the Lodge against the person so objected to.

He accepted the invitation on behalf of the Grand Lodge to attend and participate in the Washington Memorial observance.

He has a favorable word for the Grand Dieta of Mexico, believes its reformation sincere and hopes that at no distant day fraternal recognition by our Grand Lodges may be general.

He submitted the following resolution on the subject of temperance, with the hope that it, or some modification thereof, might become an edict.

Resolved, That no Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia shall receive, or entertain, the application for the mysteries of Freemasonry, of any person who is engaged in the sale of any kind of intoxicating liquors at wholesale or retail, whether in the capacity of proprietor, clerk or employee; and any Master Mason not now so engaged who shall after the adoption of this edict, engage in any such vocation, shall be deprived of all the privileges, rights and benefits of Masonry, after due summons and trial.

The special committee to whom the above was referred reported as follows:

The recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master upon the subject of temperance, which was referred to a special committee, if adopted, would be far reaching, and may be *ex post facto* in its operation. It is impossible, in the short time at the command of your committee, to give the subject presented mature thought and consideration.

Your committee are, however, of opinion that it is hard for men who live solely by the sale of strong drink to those who are debauched and destroyed by its use, to truly practice the tenets and principles of our noble profession, and we commend to the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction the exercise of great care and caution in the admission of such persons into Masonic fellowship.

The report was unanimously adopted.

At 10 o'clock p. m., at the close of the business of the first day's session, a Lodge of Sorrow was held in memory of their distinguished dead. The exercises were of

the most impressive and solemn character, while the memorials and addresses were of the highest standard.

We glean the following statistics: Lodges, 111; Lodges U. D., 5; net gain, 263; membership, 6,251.

The Report on Correspondence by Past Grand Master George W. Atkinson is an illustration of what an extremely busy man can accomplish. It is a valuable review with expressions of opinion on all important questions. Colorado is missing, not having arrived in time for review.

Joseph Hall, Wheeling, Grand Master; George W. Atkinson, Wheeling, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

Fifty-fifth Annual, June, 1899.

The address of Grand Master James G. Monahan is a model of concise statement without unnecessary amplification. Words of greeting are followed by statistical information from which we learn that the net gain of the year was 194 and present membership, 17,420; 734 were raised and 284 excluded for non-payment of dues.

He pays tribute to the memories of Past Deputy Grand Master David C. Fulton and Past Grand Secretary William T. Palmer. The latter was in his eighty-fourth year at the time of his death and had been a Mason forty-two years. He served from 1861 to 1873 as Grand Secretary.

He reports having granted thirty-six special dispensations, two of which were to confer degrees out of time, while he refused eight others. In this connection he says:

I am very much opposed to the custom. In the two cases granted, the petitioners were volunteer soldiers who had just reached the age of twenty-one years. Their fathers were ardent Masons, and the petitioners were unanimously recommended by their respective Lodges. I felt that these boys, who were willing to leave home and friends to fight for country, God and humanity, should carry into battle the shield of Masonry, if they desired it. Hence I granted the dispensation.

I refused to grant a dispensation to permit several officers of one of our regiments to be balloted for in the Lodge at their home, waiving constitutional time, and allow a Lodge in a foreign

jurisdiction to confer the degrees. In so doing, I took the position that the officers were all of mature age, and comfortably fixed financially; that for many years they had resided in a city where there was a strong, active Lodge, yet they had never sought admission; and I could not help but think that they were then seeking to join the Order more for what Masonry would do for them than what they could do for Masonry.

He had refused thirty-one requests for dispensations, dispensing with the provisions of Sections 4 and 5, Article 10, that relate to the jurisdiction of the Lodge. He is not in sympathy with the Constitutional provision which gives to the Grand Master power

"To dispense with any of the provisions of Sections 4 and 5, Article 10, except as to the Jurisdiction of the Lodge." I recommend that this section be amended by striking out these last eight words, "except as to the jurisdiction of the Lodge," so the section will read in the present as in the old Constitution. I make this recommendation for the following reasons:

First: It is a violation of the landmark, which gives the Grand Master the right to make a Mason at sight.

Second: It is indirectly a reflection upon the discretion and judgment of the Grand Master. He having power, under the Constitution, to dispense with any and all the other provisions of Sections 4 and 5, Article 10, why should his rights be abridged in this?

Third: It works great hardship and injustice to many good men, notably ministers of the Gospel, railroad employes and commercial salesmen—men who come with the best of recommendations from communities in which they have lived, but whose vocation often compels them to move into another jurisdiction before they obtain the petitioners' rights in this.

The Committee on Jurisprudence also concurred in his recommendation, though they were unanimous in the opinion that the section as it then stood did not contravene any ancient Landmark.

He submits eight decisions which were approved with the exception of No. 7, which was as follows:

7th. A sentence of suspension or expulsion from a Lodge suspends or expels from all Masonic bodies; and the members of a Lodge, Chapter, Commandery or Consistory who, knowingly, permit a Mason, while under such sentence, to sit in their meetings, or converse upon the subject of Masonry with him, are guilty of unmasonic conduct and can be disciplined by their respective Lodges.

In disapproving the decision, the Committee on Jurisprudence reason as follows:

Our Constitution makes it unmasonic and unlawful to recognize as a Mason one who has been suspended or expelled, but this Grand Lodge has no authority to determine the status of a suspended or expelled Mason in any other Masonic body, for we as a Grand Lodge have no official knowledge of the so-called higher orders of Masonry.

This portion of the report called forth considerable discussion but it was finally adopted.

He reports having revoked the edict of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Peru.

He is opposed to Army Lodges.

He says that the action of the Grand Lodge of Washington concerning Negro Masonry will be reported upon by special committee for consideration and action by the Grand Lodge.

He grows eloquent over the Order of the Eastern Star and believes that it is beneficial to Masonry in every way.

The Grand Lecturer, M. L. Youngs, reports the Lodges, as a whole, in a healthy and prosperous condition, the Schools of Instruction had been well attended, with a desire on the part of the brethren to perfect themselves in the work. He takes strong ground against all additions and embellishments. We quote the following:

Some of these additions are selections from the versatile pen of Bro. Rob. Morris; one in particular I recall being a mixture of portions of two Burial Services to be found in the Trestle Board, a monitor published by Bro. Chas. W. Moore of Boston—all beautiful in language and appropriate as embellishments for a Masonic address or an obituary, but out of place in the conferring of a degree, as being entirely foreign to the Ritual, and sometimes contrary to the spirit of its teachings and symbols. Comments have been freely made by brethren in all portions of the state as to the impropriety of the use of these selections, being a violation of the edicts and regulations of the Grand Lodge, which are supposed to be alike binding upon all.

We think Bro. Youngs is in error as to portions of two burial services being used; it should be, two portions of one burial service which appears in Bro. Moore's Trestle Board. The service referred to was drawn up by Rev. Bro. Albert Case, of South Carolina, and adopted by the National Masonic Convention held at Baltimore, Md., May, 1843. We are somewhat in doubt as to whether these selections were original with Bro. Case, or had al-

ready been used in the conferring of the third degree, and, being deemed by him appropriate, had been incorporated in the service above referred to. They have been in use in Colorado from soon after the organization of this Grand Lodge, and have been taught by our Grand Lecturers as a part of the esoteric work. The criticisms can not apply to these selections as not being in line with the spirit and teachings of Masonry. They were adopted by the Masons of fifty-six years ago, and are as worthy of acceptance as some of the ritualistic adornments of the early Grand Lecturers which pass unquestioned. We should like to be informed as to these selections; perhaps some of the Guild can enlighten us.

We are in accord with most of his remarks against additions and innovations, and believe they should be forbidden.

The Special Committee on Negro Masonry presented their report, with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Washington, having at its last annual communication, passed resolutions recognizing as legitimate the negro Lodges—Grand and Subordinate—existing in the United States, the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin expresses its most unqualified condemnation of this action, and hereby severs all fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington and its subordinates and members until such time as the Grand Lodge of Washington shall rescind its action on the subject complained of.

The report of the Jurisprudence Committee embodied the following, which was adopted:

In regard to the question as to the Grand Lodge of Cuba, we are of the opinion that there is no Grand Lodge in Cuba that has ever been recognized by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, and that a Mason made in the jurisdiction of Cuba can not be recognized as a Mason in good standing in this jurisdiction.

As to the question of a dimit issued by a Lodge under the jurisdiction of the "Grand Dieta Simbolica" of Mexico, we are of opinion that such a dimit can not be recognized by any Lodge in this jurisdiction. This Grand Lodge does not recognize the Grand Dieta Simbolica of Mexico as a regular Masonic body.

The net gain was 195; present membership, 17,421.

The Report on Correspondence is from the experienced pen of Past Grand Master Aldro Jenks, and is filled with interesting matters culled from the proceedings of

fifty-seven Grand Lodges, six of them being for two years. Colorado for 1898 is courteously reviewed. He says Grand Master Tucker gave a straightforward account of his official doings. His dispensations to Lodges to attend divine services call forth the following comment:

While we feel that it is commendable for Masons to attend church, we are of the opinion that it is improper for a Lodge to do so as a Lodge. Masonic Lodges should never appear in public except when Masonic work is to be done.

Replying to our comments on the decision of Grand Master Griffin, that a Virtual Past Master has a right to sit in a convocation of Actual Past Masters, he says:

Viewing the question as one of principle uninfluenced by former decisions of our own Grand Lodge, we entertain no doubt that the rule should be as contended for by Brother Greenleaf.

He quotes in support of our position the views of Grand Master John H. Anthen, of New York, in 1871; Bro. Albert Pike, in 1854, and Bro. A. G. Mackey, in his Masonic Jurisprudence, page 264.

Charles E. Whelan, Madison, Grand Master; John W. Laffin, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING.

Twenty-fourth Annual, September, 1898.

Grand Master E. P. Rohrbaugh devotes some two pages of his opening remarks to patriotic sentiments suggested by the late war with Spain.

He granted two dispensations to confer degrees out of time for good reasons.

One dispensation was granted for a new Lodge.

He submits a list of eight decisions, which were approved.

He regrets that his professional engagements prevented him from visiting as many of the Lodges as he had anticipated. The few visits made by him served to more firmly impress upon his mind their necessity and stimulating effect upon the Lodges. After speaking of the lack of uniformity in the work, he has this to say in regard to the selection of officers:

In connection herewith I desire to urge the necessity of a stricter law in regard to the selection of the three principal officers of a Lodge, more especially the Master. I believe it would be for the good of Masonry if we would strictly prohibit the installation of the Master elect before he is able to confer the three degrees of our Order. How often do we see a brother pushed along to the highest office before he is able to open or close a Lodge, simply for the purpose of giving him the honors of the Master's chair or because he stands well in the community, and when his term is expired, where is he? Invariably such proceedings will produce a dormancy in a Lodge which will take years to eradicate. The only danger is that you may not always look ahead to these mortifying consequences, and thus commit yourselves to a course not always profitable, or subject yourselves to the painful duty of preventing the results of your hasty actions, by some mortification to individuals. How important, then, is it that you should be cautious in your selections of Masters. Remember, that he who is once put by your vote in the line of promotion, looks to your vote for that promotion, and every brother who attains a pedestal in the South, looks expectantly for a position in the East by way of the West, no matter whether he will ever know how to confer a degree or not. Spare yourself the mortification of misrule or the necessity of refusing to advance a brother whom your own vote has taught to expect promotion. I speak with exceeding plainness on this subject; bear with me if you please. I preach nothing to you which has not been taught me by experience, and I assure you, I submit the foregoing opinion on the subject without a feeling unworthy of the sentiments which I have sought to inspire among you.

He speaks in praise of the Order of the Eastern Star as a co-worker with Masonry in works of charity and all noble undertakings.

He had accepted the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia to participate in the Washington Memorial observance, in the belief that the Grand Lodge would take steps to be properly represented on that occasion.

He announces the revocation of the decree banishing the Bible from its altars by the Grand Lodge of Peru.

The following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote: -

Whereas, Many members of the Masonic Fraternity have enlisted in the volunteer regiments, recruited within this jurisdiction, and as a consequence a number of familiar faces are absent at this session of the Grand Lodge of the state of Wyoming;

Therefore, be it resolved, That this Grand Lodge sends to all absent brother Masons who have served or are serving in the volunteer service or regular army and risked their lives for their country in the stand it has taken in the cause of humanity, a fraternal greeting, realizing that they are with us in spirit, if

not in the flesh, upon this occasion; and we pray that the Supreme Grand Master above will guard them against bodily harm, protect them from disease, and grant them a safe return.

Bro. W. L. Kuykendall presents a concise and well written Report on Correspondence, with opinions of his own. Colorado for 1897 has the banner notice of nearly five pages, for which we are largely responsible, since three of them are in reply to us.

He quotes six of Grand Master Roe's decisions. Regarding the arrest of the charter of Acacia Lodge he says:

One Lodge tried a brother, found him guilty and then refused to assess any punishment. The Grand Master ordered another trial with the same result. He then arrested the charter. The Grand Lodge sustained the Grand Master and ordered the charter canceled. Under the circumstances it was a righteous act. At the same time we are doubtful about the propriety of requiring a petitioner to answer a number of questions which are bound, in some cases, to invoke a smelling committee to inquire and pry into family affairs, thereby forcing the airing of a family skeleton, for it is well known that in such cases, as in nearly all others, there are two sides and one side only is often common property.

He also reviews at length the arrest of the charter of Del Norte Lodge and the peculiar state of affairs in connection therewith. He says that he is more than ever convinced "that no Lodge should receive the petition of a non-affiliate unless he lives or actually resides within its jurisdiction, and has visited the Lodge at least once, and that they should not be permitted to petition anywhere else."

Our good Bro. Kuykendall having devoted some three pages to a critical reply to our remarks concerning the era of Speculative Masonry, we feel that it is incumbent upon ourselves to answer some of his assumptions and to defend our position. We will first reproduce extracts from the report of Bro. K., that those interested in the discussion may the more clearly understand his attitude and our own contention:

He still has hopes that we will get over on his side of the fence on the question of Antiquity and in commenting on our reply to Bro. Wait in the report of 1896, calls for the production of "an atom of reliable evidence" that Speculative Masonry was born about 1717. We have at no time volunteered to produce any evidence whatever to that effect; on the contrary have

waited with patience for our antiquity brethren to produce any reliable evidence that it really did exist for any great length of time prior to that date. The burden of proof is on those claiming such antiquity. We have, however, expressed our opinion on the subject and as he challenges all doubters we will present him with a few circumstances in support of our contention. We are justified in believing that he will not deny that the old charges presented by Anderson, in his constitutions, originally had reference solely to operative Masons. That reference seems plain, as the language can not reasonably be construed any other way. It is therefore evident that Anderson failed to find anything else verging on antiquity and worked them in as the foundation for the government of Speculative Masonry. We have heard no denial of the existence of operative Freemason's Guilds or Lodges long prior to 1717. It is reasonable to suppose they had a code of laws similar to, if not identical with, said charges. They no doubt had means of recognition unintelligible to others not members. Our brother will surely not claim that anything of that character was part and parcel of our Speculative Masonry. What was the situation in 1717, when the Grand Lodge of England was organized, which, in our opinion, is erroneously termed the revival of Speculative Masonry? To read after Anderson regarding old Lodges, old Grand Lodges and Grand Masters, one would justly infer that the country had surely been filled with all three and yet it appears that only four Lodges organized the Grand Lodge. What became of the host of others and their records? Oblivion seems to have swallowed them bodily. We are aware it is claimed that a few other Lodges existed at the time of such organization. We also know that in 1737, twenty years thereafter, the number of Lodges was exceedingly small. If Anderson had access to old records and MSS., as he claims, it is singular he did not leave some record supported by unimpeachable evidence as to the location of said Lodges, when and where at least one meeting of the old Grand Lodge was held and the name of at least one of the long line of Grand Masters who ruled that ancient Grand Lodge should have appeared somewhere in those old records. If such authenticated records ever existed except in imagination, it is very singular that he, when entering upon such a great and important undertaking of assisting in the revival of our Speculative Masonry, did not leave some tangible sign of the former existence of Lodges, a Grand Lodge and former Grand Masters. It is also peculiar that no records of any Lodge or Grand Lodge of Speculative Masonry, as we understand the latter, or writings of any of Anderson's ancient Grand Masters were not secured and preserved by him with great care. He says there were secretaries in those days. They must have belonged to the honorary class. We know of one society or organization in this country, not fifty years old, that was started by one man and now numbers its Lodges by the thousands and has enrolled in its membership three or four hundred thousand members. We also know another that was transplanted from England to this country about three-quarters of a century ago by one man which numbers its lodges by the thousands and has a membership of one million

people. There are likewise others started in the same manner that claim a descent from the earliest dawn of the human race. No one believes such trash. Connecting these cases with Anderson's silence on material points the inference in our opinion is that a short time prior to 1717 a few choice spirits conversant with, if not members of, guilds or lodges of Operative Masons saw an opportunity of founding a fraternity or institution based thereon and formed a lodge, thus laying the crude foundation for our existing Speculative Masonry. Such would seem to be the case or that certain laws of Operative Masonry were selected by some one or more persons as a basis for our institution and all the rest manufactured to suit. As before stated the burden of proof of antiquity claimed by a few of our brethren is upon them and not upon those holding to the contrary to prove a negative. So far the affirmative evidence has not been produced. Our brother cites the Lodge at Warrington and the Lodge under the wing of the Mason's company in London. If their evidence was clear that they were purely Lodges of Speculative Masonry such as have existed since 1717, which we do not believe, can anyone be assured that the evidence, like the ballot boxes at election in our brother's state, has not been tampered with? There was a time when the story about William Tell was implicitly believed. Circumstances declare it to be a myth without any foundation.

He then cites contemporaneous histories of our country and the lives of our great men, with their falsities and misrepresentations of facts within his own knowledge, as showing the unreliable character of the evidence upon which our contention rests, etc. He is anxious to know whether we trace to Solomon or Adam, and much more in facetious spirit, also, what date we assign to Speculative Masonry. He concludes with the following:

No, my brother, we are all agreed that our Grand Institution is the oldest charitable organization in existence. Extreme antiquity does not add one mite to its character, principles or usefulness; on the contrary, a claim to that effect without any tangible evidence to warrant it places us in a ridiculous position with seekers after truth. It is whether we, as an organization, are living up to the tenets of our profession and doing our share in ameliorating the condition of the human race, and not our antiquity, that counts with our fellow men. Here we must leave the subject and our brother's valuable report.

From the above deliverance, which is in line with so many similar utterances by the upholders of the 1717 theory, it will be seen that we have set up no "men of straw" in our former discussions in these reports, but have been confronted by doughty knights of the quill.

We have no disposition at this time to indulge in any lengthy discussion, but will endeavor to throw a few rays of light upon some of the mooted questions which agitate the gray matter in the convolutions of our Wyoming brother's brain.

After scanning the lengthy preamble of Bro. K. concerning Speculative Masonry, the paucity of written records, Bro. Anderson's reference to old Lodges, etc., etc., we are finally furnished with illustrations of the marvelous growth of modern secret societies as furnishing a parallel to the inception and growth of the Masonic Fraternity. No reasoning could be more specious or better calculated to confuse the mind of the young Mason, and to cause him to regard our ancient traditions as baseless as "the fabric of a dream." Let me quote the language of another in this connection as applicable: "If Masonry is modern in her essentials—does she not come to us with a lie in her right hand. A lie so incorporated in her ritual as to be essential to her being. Take that out and nothing is left. Can we look to an *embodied lie* for any valuable *moral teaching*?" Others have declared "that they would abandon the institution instantly if they disbelieved in its antiquity—the antiquity which its ritual assumes."

Not so with our good Brother K., he cites organizations of the past three-quarters of a century and noting their claims to longevity, says: "No one believes such trash. Connecting these cases with Anderson's silence on material points, the inference in our opinion is that a short time prior to 1717 a few choice spirits conversant with, if not members of, guilds or lodges of Operative Masons saw an opportunity of founding a fraternity or institution based thereon and formed a lodge, thus laying the crude foundation for our existing Speculative Masonry. Such would seem to be the case or that certain laws of Operative Masonry were selected by some one or more persons as a basis for an institution and all the rest manufactured to suit." This is rather refreshing, coming from a member of our own Masonic household. Nothing could be further from the facts as far as ascertained by patient investigation. No "choice spirits" ever formulated anything of the kind, since, in addition to the four old London Lodges which organized the Grand Lodge of England, there were many others known as

private Lodges, in contradistinction thereto, while in Scotland, the Lodge of Edinburgh (Mary's Chapel) No. 1, was in existence, as its records show, many years before 1599, the date of its earliest lodge minutes, while its records since then are said to be practically complete. Such citations, however, will have little weight with our brother, since the Elias Ashmole initiation in 1646, the Lodge under the wing of the London Company in 1619-20, and similar authenticated records, have failed to change his views. Perhaps the following will aid to a clearer comprehension of the fact that long prior to 1717 Speculative Masonry and its symbols were well known even to profanes of the educated class. From a late review of Bro. Henry Sadler's "Masonic Reprints and Historical Revelations, London, 1898," we quote the following:

"In its introductory chapter, contributed by Dr. Chetwode Crawley, to which we desire to call attention, not only on account of its high literary merit, but also because it possesses special interest for alumni of Trinity College, Dublin. It narrates incidentally an obscure episode of our university life more than two hundred years ago. It appears that in the year 1688, while James II. was still on the throne, a curious custom obtained in Trinity College, as well as in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, of allowing a representative of the undergraduates to air the grievances of his fellows in a speech delivered at the initia, or commencements, as the graduation ceremony was then, and is still, called. The scholar of the house, who was spokesman for the undergraduates of 1688, railed in superb style at his betters, and got himself struck off the roll for his pains. He used illustrations drawn from the Freemasonry of the day, with great effect, as a weapon of offense with which to belabor his college adversaries. This speech "demonstrates," in Dr. Chetwode Crawley's words, "that the Fraternity of Freemasons was so well known in Dublin in 1688 that a popular orator could count on his audience catching up allusions to the prominent characteristics of the Craft."

His reference to the unreliability of even recent histories and biographies, and in which view we coincide, if it has any bearing whatever upon the question at issue, must be in our favor, since we maintain that our ancient Fraternity, like the Arabs, regarded books as "foes to memory." Our distinguishing secrets were thus transmitted for centuries through the whispers of tradition—and as we contend, a more reliable vehicle of thought than recorded history, which is in too many instances partisan and a tissue of falsehoods.

Bro. K. is exercised to know why old MSS. and records have failed to materialize. The only recorded writings consisted of parchment rolls inscribed with the old charges and ancient history of the Craft, and perhaps vague allusions to our symbols. Besides their natural destruction through dampness, fire and manifold other contingencies, we must bear in mind the immense destruction of MSS. which followed the invention of the art of printing, which was introduced into England in 1474. Vast numbers of the priceless works of genius were sold to book binders, while bakers for years consumed the contents of valuable libraries in heating their ovens. Think of the enormous loss occasioned by the great fire in London in 1666. Then between 1718 and 1720, when Grand Master Payne desired the brethren to bring to the Grand Lodge any old writings and records concerning the usages of ancient times, some few were produced in the former year, but in the latter "several very valuable MSS. (for they had nothing yet in print) concerning the Fraternity, their Lodges, charges, secrets and usages (particularly one writ by Mr. Nicholas Stone, the warden of Iuigo Jones) were too hastily burnt by some scrupuious brothers, that those papers might not fall into strange hands." Diligent search has resulted in the recovery of some sixty ancient MSS., constitutions and charges, some of which are of great value. We have a mass of memoranda concerning this subject, but we are compelled to rest for the present, and trust that Bro. K. will be led through further research to abandon his present untenable ground and unite with us in the defense of the most ancient Fraternity now on the scene of human activity.

J. M. Rumsey, Jr., Rawlins, Grand Master; Wm. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

STATISTICS.

We again acknowledge our indebtedness to M. W. Bro. Jesse B. Anthony for the following valuable tables of statistics, which were compiled by him for his Report on Correspondence to the Grand Lodge of New York, 1899:

GRAND LODGE	No. Subor- dinate	Mem- ber- ship	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended for N. P. of Dues	Suspended & Expelled	Net Gain	Net Loss
Alabama	376	12,005	647	448	249	235	442	502	29	136	298
Arizona*	15	618									
Arkansas	448	13,305	640	319	142	254	470	480	41		
California	265	19,542	1,244	473	138	396	379	306	9	734	
Colorado	92	7,605	371	285	51	82	184	164	6	271	
Connecticut	109	17,232	673	89	33	172	68	223	4	183	
Delaware	21	2,176	86	12	1	27	14	5	3	50	
D. of Columbia	25	5,298	253	72	62	84	67	80		154	
Florida	144	4,187	251	209	91	81	225	150	2	83	
Georgia	423	18,611	1,071							428	
Idaho	29	1,240	75	53	4	15	25	28	1	63	
Illinois	722	54,080	2,762	811	339	719	1,210	1,341	14	628	
Indiana	492	29,954	1,539	594	190	426	594	609	43	567	
Indian Terr'ty	88	3,450	316	241	44	48	230	69	19	235	
Iowa	487	27,907	1,356	535	200	352	641	674	19	405	
Kansas	359	20,103	1,037	496	173	245	791	486	10	215	
Kentucky	470	18,402	1,188	400	432	308	664	1,104	26		62
Louisiana	132	5,476	323	79	43	126	125	189	2	3	
Maine	105	22,191	768	80	54	407	169	318	2	106	
Maryland	103	7,784	482	85	31	67	135	89	7	310	
Massachusetts	235	39,334	1,858	237	73	581	357	362	1	918	
Michigan	388	40,357	1,941	504	93	665	569	461	13	830	
Minnesota	212	15,906	742	304	61	218	434	255	12	188	
Mississippi	268	9,010	486	297	179	243	300	308	18	84	
Missouri	564	31,360	1,736	855	341	459	813	901	60	699	
Montana	47	2,850	181	66	25	22	78	80	1	91	
Nebraska	229	11,775	525	239	140	139	317	428	8	12	
Nevada	20	837	30	12	20	18	20	18	1	5	
N. Hampshire	77	9,224	390		14	170	72	47	2	113	
New Jersey	168	16,970	974	186	74	275	180	349	4	426	
New Mexico	20	881	53	29	11	9	26	25	5	28	
New York	743	95,480	5,681	1,011	1,175	1,536	1,257	2,846	19	2,209	
N. Carolina	298	10,500	615	215	80	177	250	339	14	150	
North Dakota	50	2,871	240	74	13	25	110	46	1	135	
Ohio	500	42,848	2,418	540	933	636	654	1,440	27	1,135	
Oklahoma	34	1,456	126	101	25	9	56	50	1	137	
Oregon	101	5,090	229	105	43	60	83	118	5	111	
Pennsylvania	429	52,060	2,462	468		870	267	764		1,029	
Rhode Island	37	5,164	286	9	2	91	18	40	1	146	
S. Carolina	185	5,840	336	154		144	184	175			13
South Dakota	93	4,460	242	117	33	37	165	57	2	132	
Tennessee	428	17,248	679	516	117	385	624	486	34		340
Texas	626	30,852	1,253	1,147	275	459	1,484	624	96	12	
Utah	9	807	30	32	6	10	18	18		17	
Vermont	102	9,886	377	27	14	166	120	96	3	33	
Virginia	270	13,072	1,000	130	87	249	396	289	14	269	
Washington	99	4,663	259	183	112	66	159	273	7		16
West Virginia	116	6,251	420	124	55	91	144	125	10	263	
Wisconsin	237	17,226	802	241	90	258	296	287	62	280	
Wyoming	16	1,046	57	29	4	6	32	28	3	29	
	11,596	796,520	41,501	13,233	6,372	12,118	15,916	18,152	681	14,052	729

GRAND LODGE	No. Subor- dinate	Mem- ber- ship	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended for N. P. of Dues	Suspended & Expelled	Net Gain	Net Loss
Total in U. S.	11,506	796,520	41,501	13,233	6,372	12,118	15,916	13,152	661	14,052	729
B. Columbia	24	1,339	115	58	6	15	60	24		50	
Canada	361	23,996	1,282	324	203	254	574	630	7	354	
Manitoba	59	2,669	168	71	15	25	114	8		26	
N. Brunswick	32	1,757	88	17	3	27	50	4			23
Nova Scotia	61	3,453	176	62	21	41	89	61		44	
P. Edward Is.	12	525	18	10	1	6	12	7		4	
Quebec	56	3,560	191	56	11	53	74	112	1	18	
	605	37,329	2,041	608	260	424	973	970	8	526	25
Total	12,201	833,849	43,542	13,841	6,632	12,542	16,889	19,122	669	14,578	754

*Last year's report.

STATISTICAL COMPARISON.

	1896	1897	1898	1899
Grand Lodges	57	57	57	57
Subordinate Lodges	11,498	12,045	12,186	12,201
Raised	41,543	44,556	42,394	43,542
Affiliated	17,482	17,422	14,050	13,841
Restored	5,804	6,329	6,165	6,332
Died	11,262	12,064	12,193	12,542
Dimitted	17,449	17,728	16,391	16,889
Suspended for non-payment of dues	17,944	18,983	19,177	19,122
Suspended and expelled	776	832	819	669
Membership	783,644	799,885	815,018	833,849

Based upon the tables we find in the Grand Lodges of the United States the following percentages:

	1896	1897	1898	1899
Accession by new work	5.41	5.69	5.26	5.59
Additions by affiliation and restoration	3.03	3.08	2.54	2.63
Losses by death	1.47	1.54	1.54	1.61
Losses for non-payment of dues	2.33	2.48	2.01	2.46
Losses by dimission	2.27	2.26	2.38	2.17
Net gain of the year	2.07	2.21	1.88	1.71

In numerical standing the most prominent rank in the following order:		The average of membership to each Lodge is greatest in the following:	
New York	95,480	District of Columbia	212
Illinois	54,080	Connecticut	158
Pennsylvania	52,060	Rhode Island	137
Ohio	42,848	New York	128
Michigan	40,387	Massachusetts	125
Massachusetts	39,334	Pennsylvania	121
Missouri	31,360	New Hampshire	120
Texas	30,852	Maine	114
Indiana	29,954	Michigan	104
Iowa	27,907	Delaware	103
Maine	22,191	New Jersey	101
Kansas	20,108	Vermont	97
California	19,542	Utah	89
Georgia	18,611	Ohio	86

The jurisdictions having Lodges of the largest membership are in the following order:

GRAND LODGE	SUBORDINATE LODGE		LOCATION	Member-ship
	NAME	No.		
Minnesota	Minneapolis	19	Minneapolis	816
Connecticut	Hiram	1	New Haven	776
New York	Genesee Falls	507	Rochester	720
Illinois	Covenant	523	Chicago	678
Michigan	Zion	1	Detroit	685
Ohio	Magnolia	20	Columbus	604
Kentucky	Preston	281	Louisville	560
Washington, D. C.	La Fayette	19	Washington, D. C.	559
Massachusetts	Roswell Lee	—	Springfield	534
Colorado	Denver	5	Denver	580
Pennsylvania	Washington	59	Philadelphia	526
Rhode Island	What Cheer	21	Providence	523
California	California	1	San Francisco	485

CONCLUSION.

The action of the Grand Lodge of Washington in rescinding its resolutions concerning "Negro Masonry" has relieved this committee from further consideration of the question. We trust that peace and harmony may be speedily restored and fraternal relations resumed by all Grand Lodges who severed the same, and that it may be a long time in the future before this "disturbing question" is again resurrected.

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

Our remarks last year under this head called forth the following letter from Bro. Wm. J. Hughan, to which we gladly give place:

Dunscore, Torquay, England, Feb. 11, 1899.

Dear Bro. Greenleaf:

In consideration of the subject of "Physical Qualifications," in your able "Report on Correspondence, Grand Lodge of Colorado," and my article thereon in "Proceedings Grand Lodge of Manitoba," you observe:

"Bro. Hughan in his letter intimates that the law has been ignored since the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, in 1717. * * * * The burden of proof, therefore, rests with those who contend that the physical requirement belonged to the operative Craft, and that it has no place in speculative Masonry."

In reply, allow me to point out that the so-called "Charges of a Freemason," as arranged by Dr. Anderson and printed in the premier "Book of Constitutions" of A. D. 1723, never existed before, but substantially the one in question as to physical qualifications occurred in all the veritable "Old Charges" of the Operative Fraternity, as I explain fully in my two works on the subject, 1872 and 1895.

Now it is an undoubted fact, from 1723 to the present time, that the Grand Lodge of England has never accepted these "Charges" as possessing any legislative authority or as representing the laws for the government of the modern Brotherhood,* but only as indicative of the obsolete "Old Charges" of the opera-

*The "Atholl Masons" appear to have adopted the "physical qualification" in part, from 1756 or so, and then introduced the usage into America; but the Freemasonry in your great country prior to that period, and all since obtained from the premier Grand Lodge, was never so ordered, required or used by the Grand Lodge regulations that were for actual legislative objects.

tive regime. With occasional alterations the "Charges" of 1722 have been inserted in all our Books of Constitutions from 1723 to 1896, but never as Regulations passed for the guidance and control of the Craft.

This being so, it is clear that these "Charges" are simply and exclusively intended as specimens, archaeologically considered, of the usages and customs of the society anterior to the Grand Lodge era, but which, even prior to the last century, were looked upon as obsolete and were not used as obligatory laws, as formerly.

"Free-born" has been altered to "free-men" by the Grand Lodge of England—one indication that the "Charges" were not considered binding, and, as a matter of fact, no Grand Lodge accepts (or ever has) these "Charges" in their entirety, because unworkable. Wardens were to be selected from Fellow Crafts, Masters must have served as Wardens, and honest parentage was a condition of initiating a candidate. Even the age of admission has been altered, and other serious changes might be cited.

Above all, the "Old Charges" before 1717, and even for some time after, as circulated, required all candidates for Freemasonry to be Christians. Dr. Anderson altered that condition in his fanciful digest, and the Grand Lodge accepted his summary to insert before the Laws that the members agreed to, doubtless because they intended that the Craft should no longer be confined to that narrow basis.

With all good wishes, fraternally yours,

WM. JAMES HUGHAN.

We do not care to discuss the question again at this time. We are engaged in researches and have already gained some fresh information. We are in a receptive mood and shall be pleased to receive further light from those in possession of the same.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Our remarks on this subject have met with very general endorsement. We recur to it to introduce the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence of Alabama, on Decision No. 50, rendered by Grand Master Bilbro in 1897, to show how gingerly and with what fear and trembling Masons nerve themselves up to do an act of simple justice in cases where "non-payment of dues" is concerned. Note the fact that this committee having concurred in the decision—one of the most just ever rendered—still have grave misgivings as to its correctness. Read decision 50 carefully and then the report of the committee, and see in what an attitude the latter places Masonry by its apologetic tone:

"(50) A brother shortly before his death was suspended for non-payment of dues, being in arrears only two years. For forty years he had been a consistent member of the Lodge, and all that time, though living twenty miles from it, he was very punctual in attendance upon its regular communications. He was ill for several months before his death. This prevented his further attendance at the communications of the Lodge. His poverty was the cause of his suspension for non-payment of dues. Held: The Lodge in such case, after the brother's burial, might hold the Lodge funeral service in its hall, and perform at his grave some suitable service in respect to his memory, and the service at the grave might be that laid down in Cross' Chart as the church service. If the brother did not know he was in arrears for the time, that would justify his suspension, but if he believed he was not liable to suspension, if he requested it, he should have been buried with Masonic honors."

Your committee, not without grave misgivings as to its correctness, concur in the finding of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in this decision. It is an innovation, but under the peculiar facts of the case and the peculiar hardships which would have been entailed by deciding it otherwise, your committee agree to the proposition, but think it should be confined to the exact case stated in the decision, and not extended. The universal rule has been without a break, so far as we are informed, that a Mason suspended for the non-payment of dues is not a member of the Lodge, and is not entitled to Masonic burial, and for this reason your committee think that this decision should not be extended beyond the term of the particular case upon which it was decided.

Here is another case which we quote from a letter to the *American Tyler*:

I am nearly seventy-two years old and my only income is a soldier's pension of \$8.00 per month. Think I shall pay what I owe, and, although I hate to do so very much, call for a dimit from the Lodge. I am aware that I shall in effect become an outsider and be debarred from all the rites and privileges of Masonry, but it looks to me like an unmasonic and uncharitable usage. I have been a member of the Masonic Fraternity forty-two years, and I can honestly say that it has ever been my aim to live and act strictly in accordance with the teaching and principles of Masonry. I have paid hundreds of dollars into the Masonic treasury and it does seem rather hard in consequence of misfortune and hard luck to be compelled in my old age to become a non-affiliate or be always begging for my dues to be remitted, which I can not and will not do. It does look to me as though there ought to be some provision in Masonry whereby after long years of faithful service an unfortunate Mason could be kept in good standing without the humiliation of becoming a beggar.

These cases should be effective object lessons in modifying the harsh and unjust enactments in many Grand Jurisdictions for "non-payment of dues."

And now in conclusion we give to our brethren of the Guild a pen-portrait of an old-time Lodge, with these lines as to motive:

"If any little word of mine
May make a life the brighter,
If any little song of mine
May make a heart the lighter,
God help me speak the little word
And take my bit of singing,
And drop it in some lonely vale
To set the echoes ringing."

THE LODGE ROOM OVER SIMPKINS' STORE.

'The plainest Lodge room in the land was over Simpkins' store,
Where Friendship Lodge had met each month for fifty years or more.

When o'er the earth the moon full-orbed, had cast her brightest beams,

The brethren came from miles around on horseback and in teams,
And O! what hearty grasp of hand, what welcome met them there,
As mingling with the waiting groups they slowly mount the stair,
Exchanging fragmentary news or prophecies of crop,
Untill they reach the Tyler's room and current topics drop,
To turn their thought to nobler themes they cherish and adore,
And which were heard on meeting night up over Simpkins' store.

To city eyes, a cheerless room, long usage had defaced,
The tell-tale lines of lath and beam on wall and ceiling traced.
The light from oil-fed lamps was dim and yellow in its hue,
The carpet once could pattern boast, though now 'twas lost to view.

The altar and the pedestals that marked the stations three,
The gate-post pillars topped with balls, the rude-carved letter G,
Were village joiner's clumsy work, with many things beside,
Where beauty's lines were all effaced and ornament denied.
There could be left no lingering doubt, if doubt there was before,
The plainest Lodge room in the land was over Simpkins' store.

While musing thus on outward form the meeting time drew near,
And we had glimpse of inner life through watchful eye and ear.
When Lodge convened at gavel's sound with officers in place,
We looked for strange, conglomerate work, but could no errors trace.

The more we saw, the more we heard, the greater our amaze,
To find those country brethren there so skilled in Masons' ways.
But greater marvels were to come before the night was through,
Where unity was not mere name, but fell on heart like dew,
Where tenets had the mind imbued, and truths rich fruitage bore,
In plainest Lodge room in the land, up over Simpkins' store.

To hear the record of their acts was music to the ear;
We sing of deeds unwritten which on angel's scroll appear.
A widow's case—four helpless ones—Lodge funds were running
low,
A dozen brethren sprang to feet and offers were not slow.
Food, raiment, things of needful sort, while one gave load of wood,
Another shoes for little ones, for each gave what he could.
Then spake the last:—"I haven't things like these to give—but then
Some ready money may help out"—and he laid down a Ten.
Were brother cast on darkest square upon life's checkered floor,
A beacon light to reach the white—was over Simpkins' store.

Like scoffer who remained to pray, impressed by sight and sound,
The faded carpet 'neath our feet was now like holy ground.
The walls that had such dingy look were turned celestial blue,
The ceiling changed to canopy where stars were shining through.
Bright tongues of flame from altar leaped, the G was vivid blaze,
All common things seemed glorified by heaven's reflected rays.
O! wondrous transformation wrought through ministry of love—
Behold the Lodge Room Beautiful!—fair type of that above.
The vision fades—the lesson lives! and taught as ne'er before,
In plainest Lodge room in the land—up over Simpkins' store.

To our fellow-reporters we tender our thanks for
their courteous treatment, and most heartily reciprocate
their uniform expressions of good will.

Fraternally submitted,

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 Gove, Aaron
 Grafton, William H.
 Graham, David B.
 Graham, John W.
 Graham, Frank C.
 Graham, James A. F.
 Green, Charles O.
 Greene, John K.
 Greenlee, Lewis C.
 Greenlee, Robert C.
 Greenlee, William E.
 Guyer, Clarkson N.
 Hagar, Clarence E.
 Hall, Frank
 Hall, Fred F.
 Hall, Joshua P.
 Hall, William W.
 Hamilton, George A.
 Hamilton, William F.
 Hampton, James W.
 Hard, Frank J.
 Hardy, Charles W.
 Hardy, Solomon B.
 Harkison, Charles T.
 Harris, William J.
 Hart, Joseph W.
 Hartman, Henry
 Hartung, George J.
 Hartz, Charles C.
 Hattenbach, Michael
 Hayden, William Penn
 Heckendorf, Edward G.
 Henry, George
 Hewitt, George W.
 Hickman, William H.
 Hicks, James R.
 Higgin, Albert
 Higgin, Frederick G.
 Hill, William C.
 Hitchcock, William D.
 Hocking, John
 Hodges, James L.
 Hoffer, John G.
 Hogle, Austin W.
 Holmberg, John A.
 Horne, Henry
 Houghton, John M.
 House, George W.
 Huddart, John J.
 Huff, John W.
 Hunter, John B.

Huntington, Glen W.
 Hurst, Harry R.
 Huskins, George M.
 Hutchins, Samuel A.
 Hyndman, Archibald
 Ireland, Frederick W.
 Irish, Francis M.
 James, Benjamin L.
 Jameson, Leon C.
 Jenison, William T.
 Jennings, D. Homer
 Johnson, Charles M.
 Johnson, Christian
 Johnson, James
 Johnson, Peter C.
 Johnston, James S.
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 Jones, Henry C.
 Jones, John W.
 Jones, William F.
 Keller, William A.
 Kellogg, George A.
 Kiefer, John
 Killen, Bernard C.
 Killie, Isaac L.
 Kimball, George D.
 Kincaid, Robert A.
 King, Joel Barnes
 Kinport, Jesse E.
 Knifton, George H.
 Kountze, Charles B.
 Krueger, Fred H. C.
 Kuner, Max
 La Due, Theodore F.
 Lamont, Robert
 Larimer, Frank H.
 Latimer, Vincent B.
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 Leavitt, Byron C.
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 Lehman, Edward
 Leiff, Joseph
 Leimer, Charles F.
 Letts, Charles J.
 Lewington, Fred
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 Lipp, Augustus
 Lipscomb, Thomas W.
 Lloyd, David
 Londoner, Julius
 Lord, Frank J.

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 Lyon, William F. M.
 McCarty, Andrew J.
 McClelland, Tom E.
 McCormick, Samuel B.
 McGill, Patrick J.
 McHenry, John W.
 McLauthlin, Herbert W.
 Mack, Frederick
 Mack, Milton H.
 Madden, Samuel C.
 Malone, Booth M.
 Marfell, Hiram
 Markham, Joseph T.
 Markt, Rudolph T.
 Martin, John H.
 Marx, Julius
 Meek, Leonard B.
 Merriam, Henry C.
 Merrill, Nathan C.
 Meyer, Ferdinand
 Middaugh, Asa F.
 Mignolet, John
 Miles, William J.
 Miller, Byron L.
 Miller, Dennett E.
 Milleson, Elisha
 Moore, William H.
 Morgan, Henry S.
 Morris, Walter M.
 Morrison, John H.
 Morrison, Thomas J.
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 Murch, George H.
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 Nelson, Christen
 Nettleton, Timothy S.
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 Oliver, Richard P.
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 Patton, William
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 Phillips, J. Bevan
 Phillips, Richard
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 Renshaw, James
 Reynolds, James W.
 Rhoads, Alonzo G.
 Rhoads, Harry F.
 Rice, Almon A.
 Richards, William W.
 Richardson, Hamlet F.
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 Robinson, Ewing
 Robinson, William F.
 Robinson, W. Francis
 Roe, Robert S.
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 Rogers, Edmund J. A.
 Rogers, Ralph
 Root, George H.
 Roney, Frank B.
 Rothwell, William J.
 Routt, John L.
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 Scattergood, Israel M.
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 Schmidt, Fred J.
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 Scott, Francis M.
 Shattuck, Orville F.
 Shaughnessey, James
 Shearer, James
 Shears, Thomas E.
 Shelton, Churchill T.
 Shepard, Samuel C.
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 Slater, George G.
 Sleight, John J.
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 Smedley, William
 Smith, Alfred J.
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 Smith, Charles E.
 Smith, Charles J.
 Smith, Frank
 Smith, Irving G.
 Smith, Joseph H.
 Smith, Louis S.
 Smith, Pierce T.
 Smith, Roland D.
 Snyder, George R.
 Sobolewski, John A.
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 Spalding, John F.
 Spaulding, Leland D.
 Spencer, Henry P.
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 Stapleton, George L.
 Starbuck, Nathan H.
 Starkweather, James C.
 St. Clair, Ashbell K.
 Stearns, John L.
 Steinmetz, William D.
 Stenhouse, James
 Stephens, William L.
 Stevens, Ralph E.
 Stewart, Ralph W.
 Stover, George H.
 Strickler, James M.
 Sulter, Mordecai P.
 Sutton, John C.
 Sutton, Roland
 Taggart, Charles D.
 Taggart, Frank D.
 Talbot, Ralph
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 Terry, Arthur L.
 Terry, Pardon W.
 Thomas, Harlan
 Thomas, Harrison Gordon
 Thompson, Charles L.
 Todd, William D.
 Townsend, Orrin P.
 Tufford, Walter H.
 Turner, Lucius A.
 Tynon, James S.
 Uzzell, Thomas A.
 Vallie, Frederick O.
 Vallie, Uplide
 Vosburgh, Nathan O.
 Wagner, Andrew J.
 Waid, Orin C.
 Waller, Thomas M.
 Walley, John J.
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 Weaver, Joseph L.
 Weber, Louis
 Well, Solomon
 Welby, Arthur E.
 Welch, Albert L.
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 Wheatley, Edward L.
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 Whitford, Greeley W.
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 Widney, Sam W.
 Wilber, Jacob E.
 Wilder, Asa
 Williams, Frederick A.
 Williams, George T.
 Williams, Ira
 Willoughby, Ed. A.
 Wilson, Andrew D.
 Wilson, Charles F.
 Wilson, William A.

Wilson, William J.
Winne, Peter
Winter, Allison T.
Wise, William J.
Wistrom, Samuel W.
Witter, Daniel

Wollaston, Theodore
Wood, Francis G.
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Jenkins, C. E.
Johnson, Carl
Fullerton, Wm.
Key, John
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Morgan, Walter
Mehrllich, Anton
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McLaughlin, Wm.
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Cliff, William N.	Hancock, James B.	White, Absalom K.
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Donahue, S. E.	Johnson, Fred S.	Woodward, David
Desch, C. S.	Kelly, Samuel D.	Ward, Jesse P.
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Avery, Green G.	Brooks, Paul E.	Clark, Chas. E.
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Barnes, James P.	Briscoe, Robt. S.	Dow, Fernando E.
Boyd, A. H.	Boyer, Saml. L.	Dickerman, Alton L.
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Bates, W. M.	Chapman, Jno. W.	Dwinnell, L. E.
Banning, W. M.	Conger, Carlos W.	Dozier, Joseph
Brinley, M. D.	Carrington, E. Erasus	Davis, W. A.
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- Duncan, James C.
 Dickenson, Oliver M.
 Du Ree, S. F.
 Davie, Robert P.
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 Davis, Chas. W.
 Eaton, Edwin J.
 Eaton, Benj. A. P.
 Estill, Jas. T.
 Epperson, Robt. S.
 Eubank, Jas., Jr.
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 Edmondson, Gilbert M.
 Evans, Chas. E.
 Finley, Robt.
 France, Matt
 Fuller, N. A.
 Fowler, Samuel L.
 Funk, Henry N.
 Freyhoffer, Wm. E.
 Fehringier, Adolph
 Fraker, Chas. F.
 Frost, Frank A.
 Forbes, James E.
 Guire, David C.
 Giddings, E. W., Jr.
 Gaudy, W. H.
 Gough, Thos.
 Gale, Samuel
 Grover, B. B.
 Gray, Geo. H.
 Goechins, Al. M.
 Greenland, Jas. F.
 Gunnell, Allan T.
 Grimes, Claud B.
 Gardner, George
 Grove, Claud D.
 Gullman, F. L.
 Gordon, Robert S.
 Gaylord, E. K.
 Howbert, Irving
 Horn, Thos. G.
 House, Augustus
 Himebaugh, Jno. A.
 Hoagland, W. H.
 Hughes, Thos.
 Holmes, Geo. F.
 Henry, O. E.
 Hext, Thos.
 Henderson, R. L.
 Harden, J. M.
 Hatfield, Supplee S.
 Hillis, Wm.
 Hughes, Wm. H.
 Huffman, Thos. M.
 Harris, Ira
 Hemenway, Willard
 Hale, Moses T.
 Hebard, William
 Hoyt, Chas. C.
 Hammond, Earl C.
 Harris, I. S.
 Hallett, Henry W.
 Hawks, Henry S.
 Hull, James H.
 Howbert, Edgar
 Houck, Arthur L.
 Hilborn, Alonzo M.
 Harmonson, W. P.
 Hubbard, L. D.
 Helzer, David N.
 Hemenway, Orin E.
 Houston, Geo. M.
 Johns, Henry
 Jones, Allan D.
 Jamerson, Jos. N.
 Johnson, Jno. M.
 Jencks, D. W. C.
 Jones, W. C.
 Johnson, Sylvester
 Kerr, Jas. H.
 Kern, Jno. W.
 Kelley, A. W.
 Kettleman, Jno. G.
 Keeth, Frank M.
 Kimball, Rush G.
 Kinse, Jas.
 Kaufman, Moses F.
 Korsmeyer, Fred W.
 Love, Edwin Y.
 Lamb, Henry W.
 Lawton, Andrew L.
 Leighton, Arthur
 Lawrence, Geo. W.
 Lincoln, A. G.
 Latas, Jacob
 Lawton, Andrew J.
 Leibert, M. S.
 Lawton, Frank C.
 Leavenworth, L. W.
 McShane, David
 McCoy, W. R.
 McCreery, H. C.
 McDill, Lee H.
 McCreery, Rolla L.
 McFarland, Fred A.
 McCune, W. B.
 McGregor, A. J.
 McCormack, J. W.
 Martin, Frederick L.
 Murphy, Jno.
 Mathews, Albert
 Mulholland, C. V.
 Miller, Jno. K.
 Mills, Edward E.
 Millen, J. M.
 Mangold, Fred A.
 Middagh, Jas. L.
 Middagh, Pleasants W.
 Morris, Wesley S.
 Manley, Wm. J.
 Manning, Cassius R.
 Murphy, Timothy A.
 Mason, Howard M.
 Mohler, Fred Chas.
 Miller, George H.
 Nichols, Willard S.
 Nichols, Robert P.
 Nason, E. F.
 Nohe, Phillip
 Noxon, J. Miner
 Noxon, Aury B.
 Pulver, Milton
 Potter, John
 Pearcey, R. G.
 Pease, Lewis A.
 Potter, J. Wilson
 Puffer, Lewis A.
 Pullen, S. J.
 Parker, N. E.
 Perkins, Frank A.
 Peck, Ira F.
 Pearson, Charles
 Porter, Otis E.
 Peyser, Wm. J.
 Robinson, Fred E.
 Reynolds, Jos. E.
 Reed, Wm. H.
 Roby, Frank F.
 Robertson, David B.
 Reid, Herbert I.
 Robinson, Jno. R.
 Rice, David H.
 Reed, Raymond
 Rice, Wm. G.
 Reed, Verner Z.
 Rouse, F. L.
 Robinson, Geo. B.
 Rowell, Milo
 Reeds, David C.
 Reid, Robert M.
 Reckerson, O. E.

Reddle, Jno. O.
 Rawley, Francis
 Rawley, David E.
 Smith, E. A.
 Strickler, Wm. M.
 Spielinan, David
 Shideler, Thomas
 Sagendorf, Andrew
 Skinner, Louis C.
 Stovell, Jno. W. D.
 Schmitt, Jacob
 Smith, Edward J.
 Sleeman, George
 Severy, Jas. B.
 Stone, A. G.
 Stum, Jas. W.
 Swope, Chas. H.
 Shideler, William
 Smith, Chas. E.
 Schwarz, Robert
 Stratton, Winfield S.
 Shimp, Henry C.
 Shideler, Lewis G.

Stephen, John B.
 Shannon, Fred P.
 Seymore, Austin F.
 Southcotte, Geo. B.
 Sharp, Arthur G.
 Smith, F. C.
 Steele, Wesley S.
 Spurgeon, Wm. H.
 Stanley, Filmore L.
 Storrow, Samuel
 Skinner, Clarence C.
 Taylor, Robert R.
 Tilton, Wm. F.
 Thomas, Thomas E.
 Thomas, Frank
 Titsworth, Geo. A.
 Taylor, Remick B.
 Turner, Clarence E.
 Tucker, Beverley
 Tainter, R. F.
 Tainter, Roy
 Tainter, Wilbur M.

Titus, Jerome
 Tusler, Ralph
 Thorngburg, W. A.
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 Van Meter, Frank A.
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 Watson, Henry A.
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 White, Clay H.
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COLUMBIA LODGE No. 14.

BOULDER, BOULDER COUNTY.

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 Banks, F. B.
 Bigger, R. A.

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 Burr, Ed. C.
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 Brown, Raymond
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 Corson, W. A.
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 Carmack, J. T.
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 Carruthers, W. A.
 Combs, G. W.
 Crouch, F. O.
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 Cheney, Chas. H.
 Coulehan, Chas. E.
 Clemens, J. E.
 Coulehan, R. E.
 Duncan, Guy D.

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Denman, Henry
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Emerick, A. J.
Edwards, Bruce V.
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Euler, R. L.
Euler, Ed P.
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Fairhurst, W. G.
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Hathaway, Mark
Henry, A. T., Jr.
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Heizleman, F.
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Henry, A. T.
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Holt, M. J.
Hinkle, J. P.
Haffner, Joseph
Hankins, J. C.
Holbrook, C. M.
Hult, William
Hayward, D. E.
Hayward, D. A.
Haskins, E. W.
Hankins, E. E.
Herman, John
Johnson, Seymour
Jester, W. H.
Johnston, W. J.
Johnston, J. I.
Johnson, T. C.
Jester, John A.

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Lake, Geo. E.
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Mead, Marcus S.
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McClancy, Uriah
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Monell, Henry
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McAllister, D. E.
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McKenzie, N. D.
McClure, H. B.
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Nicholson, J. W.
North, J. M.
Owen, Thos. R.
O'Connor, Tim.
Oliver, Wm.
Phillips, N. M.
Poole, W. H.
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Parker, John H.
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Rowen, W. F.
Robertson, G. B.
Rosser, William
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Ricketts, C.
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 Whipple, Fred. H.
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 Beach, Edgar C.
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Whitcomb, Elias W.
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 Hartman, John
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 Johnson, Carl
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 Manners, Harvey
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 Preston, Porter
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 Williams, Samuel
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 Dudley, Geo. P.

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 Hurburt, Wm. F.
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 Ifinger, Wm.
 Jones, Wm. H.
 King, A. J.

Kune, John M.
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 Lechner, Geo. W.
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McKee, Robert G.
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 O'Hara, Michael H.
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 Powless, Wm. H.
 Phelps, Chas. L.
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IDAHO SPRINGS LODGE No. 26.

IDAHO SPRINGS, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.

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 Chinn, Howard T.
 Chinn, Cuthbert H.
 Chinn, R. P.
 Dingwall, Jno. G.
 Eaves, Edgar A.
 Freestone, A. H.

Gartz, Axle
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 Huddleston, Wm.
 Hancock, Wm. J.
 Jackson, Jno. M.
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 Lachmund, Oscar
 Mayrs, P. R.
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 McAskill, D. A.
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 Straub, Albert E.
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 Townsend, W. L.
 Theobold, Peter
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 Thomos, Jno. W.
 Towle, Frank
 Ulrich, Frederick
 Vivion, Geo. G.
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 Weeks, Jas. G.
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Elmire, George
Eckers, Samuel
Forhan, T. J.
Gaston, Joseph
Hamilton, Wm. B.
Hill, Josiah M.
Hayden, Chas.
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Jones, Theo. R.

Kearns, John P.
Kearns, Wm. A.
Kunert, Oscar W.
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Lawther, Frank
Lawson, George D.
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SOUTH PUEBLO LODGE No. 31.

PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

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SAGUACHE, SAGUACHE COUNTY.

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Keesey, George W.
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SAN JUAN LODGE No. 33.

SILVERTON, SAN JUAN COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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CRYSTAL LAKE LODGE No. 34.

LAKE CITY, HINSDALE COUNTY.

(Communications second Tuesday in each month.)

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 Bowden, John
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 Coble, Wm. W.
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 Howell, John C.
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 Katz, Emanuel
 Kahn, Isaac
 Kahn, Sol. G.
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 McColl, John
 McKean, John W.
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 McCoy, W. W.
 McGready, Chas.
 McClure, Thomas
 McGonigal, George
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Powell, Herman
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ROSITA, CUSTER COUNTY.

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OURAY LODGE No. 37.

OURAY, OURAY COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

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SILVER CLIFF LODGE No. 38.

SILVER CLIFF, CUSTER COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

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GUNNISON LODGE No. 39.

GUNNISON, GUNNISON COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.)

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LEADVILLE LODGE No. 51.

LEADVILLE, LAKE COUNTY.

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LOVELAND LODGE No. 53.

LOVELAND, LARIMER COUNTY.

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STERLING LODGE No. 54.

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Bedwell, Jesse B.
Barber, F. W.
Bascom, Oliver M.
Brooks, Thos. H.
Bailey, W. J.
Crawford, Thos. B.
Coleman, S. W.
Caswell, Chas. F.
Crosby, David R.
Currie, Geo. A.
Clarke, David T.
Capps, Wm.
Cook, James J.
Carlyle, Wm.
Davidson, R. L.
Duckett, J. A.
Dobbie, Henry
DeLong, Horace T.
Durham, H. A.
Eaton, Robert
Ela, Wendel P.
Evans, Edwin A.
Edge, Jos.
Eldridge, Howard B.
Eldridge, Edward F.
Fisher, Edward T.

Fallis, Jacob R.
Golden, Wm. H.
Gannon, E. W.
Grout, Alonzo C.
Garman, Adam R.
Grady, William
Gordon, George
Gutshall, S. P.
Garrison, Geo. R.
Hanson, W. E.
Haslett, P. B.
Hawkins, George D.
Hosman, Clarence W.
Harrison, Hugh T.
Hunn, Seward G.
Innis, Wm.
Jay, Benjamin F.
Johnson, W. R.
Jones, Henry B.
Johnson, S. Russell
Kipp, Bert L.
Kelm, John F.
Krohn, E. A.
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Lumsden, Jno. J.
Layton, J. A.
Layton, Abel M.
Lattmer, F. J.
Lowry, Thomas J.
Lane, J. E.
Leach, Fred H.
Little, E. W.
Mitchell, C. E.
Miller, Lawrence M.
Mann, Jno. B.
Marsh, William A.
McMullin, Samuel G.
Morin, Theodore P.
Meehan, Chas.
McCune, A. J.
McGinley, Wm.

McKean, George C.
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Nelson, J. H.
Newton, A. C.
Nevin, John C.
Oliver, Joseph D.
Pierce, Franklin H.
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Rice, Jacob H.
Rice, Wm. A.
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Reeder, John D.
Ross, Henry W.
Roberts, John F.
Rawlings, Charles Espa
Rupp, Albert Gustave
Rich, Franklin
Roberts, Paul D.
Roberts, James D.
Steele, C. W.
Shaffer, W. E.
Stewart, L. T.
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Slebert, Jacob C.
Smith, Frank S.
Shields, John
Shores, Don W.
Snook, Thomas A.
Shores, Marcus M.
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Stapleton, John
Sampliner, Joe M.
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Van Buren, William M.
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Whitley, James
Weaver, Charles W.
Wolf, A. E.
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TELLURIDE LODGE No. 56.

TELLURIDE, SAN MIGUEL COUNTY.

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 Bishop, James H.
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 Freedlund, Axel
 Gordon, W. H.
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Gabbert, William H.
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 Henderson, Thomas F.
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 Hamor, Charles H.
 Heideloff, Albert C.
 Jardine, John M.
 Johnstone, James
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 Kingsbery, Warren W.
 Lay, Henry C.
 Lamax, Louis C.
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 Miller, Charles W.
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 McIvor, Donald W.

Newman, John G.
 Oderfield, Ed. S.
 Olson, John
 Osborn, James S.
 O'Neill, Hugh J.
 Painter, Charles F.
 Pillmore, J. W.
 Priest, George
 Peers, Roderick A.
 Roberts, Frank B.
 Rodgers, Vincent N.
 Symes, Fred. W.
 Stucker, William H.
 Stevenson, W. A.
 Smith, William C.
 Sleeper, E. L.
 Smith, Clinton B.
 Smith, Lou R.
 Shortall, John
 Spencer, Isaac C.
 Thomas, Oris C.
 Thomas, William J.
 Thompson, Elmer
 Van Atta, William B.
 Watson, Charles S.
 Wearing, George
 Wheeler, William E.
 Wood, John A.
 Weller, E. B.
 Weller, James C.
 Wagner, Jacob
 Woods, Albert T.
 Waggoner, C. Delos
 Wrench, Addison M.

SALIDA LODGE No. 57.

SALIDA, CHAFFEE COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Bowen, I. H.
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Boncher, E. T.
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Cole, Wallace
Cartwright, W. N.
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Cole, W. S.
Clark, L. W.
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Dobbie, Alex.
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Donaldson, Noble
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Eddy, J. A.
Guerin, M. J.
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Gericke, G. G.
Harrington, O. E.
Hively, E. W.
Hathaway, A. T.
Hatch, E. A.
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Johnson, C. G.
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Jaynes, A. L.
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Redford, J. S.
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Rogers, Allen
Smith, M. M.
Seelinger, S. W.
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Tenbrook, E. W.
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Van Meter, S.
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CRESTED BUTTE LODGE No. 58.**CRESTED BUTTE, GUNNISON COUNTY.**

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Glick, Louis
Gillett, E. W.
Griffiths, David
Groesbeck, E. G.
Henworth, Jos.

Herron, Alex.
Horner, S. L.
Hensner, C. B.
Koontz, Jno.
Lathrop, L. R.
Lloyd, Richard
Lloyd, W. E.
Metzler, S. S.
Miner, D. V.
McCay, G. W.
McCullough, Henry
McKay, F. J.
McWilliams, G. A.

Malloy, W. J.
Miller, Wm.
Moyer, S. L.
Murphy, Mark
Robinson, J. K.
Spencer, S. P.
Starr, Thos.
Stewart, Jas.
Swann, Thos.
Wheeler, N. C.
Wilson, R. B.
Wright, H. C.
Young, F. A.

LA VETA LODGE No. 59.**LA VETA, HUERFANO COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Phillips, Albert
Page, Alfred
Strange, S. L.

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SPAR LODGE No. 60.

ASPEN, PITKIN COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Baldy, John P.
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 Clawson, Chas. W.
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 Croft, Richard A.
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 Evans, Wm. S.

Fagan, Wm.
 Freeman, Jason E.
 Fisher, Richmond H.
 Finley, Stephen H.
 Gilbert, Henry
 George, Daniel
 Gillespie, Henry B.
 Gillien, Edw. A.
 Geary, Mortimer J.
 Greener, John H.
 Harding, Herbert L.
 Harrod, Joseph C.
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 Hunkins, Bnsigh L.
 Hopkins, Alfred
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 Johns, Richard
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 Kumz, David
 Linx, Peter
 Lawrence, Levi
 Lewis, Noah D.
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 Moore, Geo. F.
 Moore, Chas. L.

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 Mugfur, John
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 McIntosh, Alex.
 MacMillan, John F.
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 Rees, Chas.
 Rucker, Thos. A.
 Robinson, Andrew J.
 Ryan, Michael D.
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 Spilling, Arthur B.
 Schaffer, Geo. H.
 Sanborn, Charles O.
 Sweeney, John
 Swanson, John B.
 Stockman, Fred. H.
 Silver, Burnlim
 Thomas, George
 Vickery, George C.
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 Wasser, Wm. J.
 Weber, Andrew O.

HARMONY LODGE No. 61.

DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Mondays in each month.)

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 Browning, John W.
 Barsby, H. H.
 Babcock, Russell D.
 Beggs, Wm. A.
 Brownson, Thos. E.
 Crellin, John E.
 Cole, Sidney M.
 Chaplot, Geo. J.
 Campbell, James M.
 Card, Chas. S.
 Clark, A. W.
 Clayton, Thos. H.
 Connelly, Edward R.
 Connett, W. S.
 Cowell, Chas. W.
 Cowell, Chas. B.
 Crocker, Wm.
 Dunn, Wm. H.
 Duggan, John V.
 Dagnall, Wm. S.
 Dunn, James
 DeMonco, Almo
 Davis, D. C.
 Eastman, Geo. M.
 Fuhrman, Joshua
 Fogle, John
 Fegan, T. J.
 Freeman, John J.
 Fowler, John A.
 Ferguson, Clairborne J.
 Griffin, George

Gibbs, Lafayette
 Grant, L. W.
 Gordon, John R.
 Good, Wm. F.
 Goodell, Albert J.
 Hutchins, Chas. F.
 Hart, Geo. W.
 Hart, Chas.
 Hind, Richard
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 Huey, E. P.
 Hard, Harry C.
 Hurley, David
 Hoagland, H. C.
 Harrison, Chas.
 Jones, O. P.
 Kyffin, Pierce
 Klitchum, Harry A.
 Kisthardt, Wm. H.
 Kelly, Henry
 Kennedy, Leo. W.
 Knox, James A.
 Kummer, Wm.
 Lange, Louis
 Linstroth, Henry A.
 Lounsbury, Horace
 Moorman, John H.
 Matheson, John O.
 McParlin, Wm. E.
 McAndrews, Robt.
 McPherson, John
 Moses, Elmer
 Merrill, Samuel
 Miller, James L.
 Mason, Chas. R.
 Moody, Robt. H.
 Manning, John F.
 Miller, George
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Oyler, John
 Owens, John E.
 Pearce, Geo. H.
 Pollock, Alexander
 Pultz, Stephen M.
 Phillips, Samuel L.
 Parker, Joseph H.
 Pace, Frank S.
 Purdy, Edward R.
 Pitschke, Chas. G.
 Price, Thos. D.
 Powers, Michael J.
 Roos, Henry
 Root, Wm. S.
 Rice, John W.
 Rice, Chas. A.
 Ross, James B.
 Rand, Fred. W.
 Reilly, John J.
 Robinson, Wm. W.
 Sterling, Mark L.
 Scouler, Peter
 Smith, John C.
 Smith, Wm. J.
 Stone, Joel E.
 Schoepflin, Henry F.
 Sanford, James W.
 Schultz, H. S.
 Snider, Jacob A.
 Shoemaker, A. W.
 Street, Edgar F.
 Smallwood, James
 Stephenson, C. W.
 Sykes, Charles E.
 Strong, Fred. C.
 Seney, John
 Tait, Wm.
 Tankersly, Ed. D.
 Thornton, James J.

Turpin, A. B.
 Toensmuer, Theo.
 Thompson, R. A.
 Thurman, H. G.
 Titus, Augustus
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 Underhill, Chas. E.
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Waters, Fred. B.
 Webber, Geo. W.
 Waddington, R. B.
 Watters, Thos.
 Wilson, Abram
 Willisson, Robt.
 Weatherbee, Jabez
 Wildey, Chas. W.

Wallace, James F.
 Waters, Thos.
 Weaver, D. S.
 Yetter, Oscar H.
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 Vickroy, Geo. R.
 Vail, Geo. L.

DELTA LODGE No. 62.

DELTA, DELTA COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Mondays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Farmer, Joseph E.
 Gillett, Edward

Gates, Frank I.
 Gheer, Taylor B.
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 King, Alfred R.
 Kelso, Robert S.
 Lees, John F.
 Lamar, James R.
 Lamb, Thomas E.
 McGrannahan, Thos. H.

Price, Henry J.
 Roberts, William H.
 Scott, Walter
 Teachout, Henry
 West, Henry T.
 Wheelan, William A.
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 Worth, Louis W.
 Wishart, Adam
 Wise, Allen H.

MONTROSE LODGE No. 63.

MONTROSE, MONTROSE COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Blake, R. H.	Han, Geo. W.	Sampson, Wm.
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Budeller, Wm.	Henderson, Chris.	Skinner, O. C.
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Berry, T. G.	McDaniel, Frank	Wood, Geo. D.
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Ealer, J. W.	Payson, A. R.	

EUCLID LODGE No. 64.

LA JUNTA, OTERO COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Buckley, Chas. R.	Finney, F.	Marshall, E.
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Blasdell, J. V.	Grant, E. W.	Macky, L. B.
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Donovan, J. W.	Lyon, Jno. M.	Rasendahl, C. O.
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Savage, H.
Stubbs, C. S.

Temnis, R.
Trent, S.
Thompson, G. S.
Thompson, A. F.
Wood, J. O.

Wood, F. D.
Wood, J. T.
Watt, W. A.
Wood, C. D.
Wilson, R. B.

GLENWOOD LODGE No. 65.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, GARFIELD COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

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Clark, L. G.
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Dynes, W. B.
Davis, Thos. L.
Darrow, Chas. W.
Dougan, W.
Dewitt, Marshall
Davis, Benj. L.
DeRemer, Jared R.
Ewing, Fred C.
Esler, John
Evans, John
Evans, Chas.
Fesler, John H.
Fisher, Elbert M.
Gant, Wm.
Gamble, E. L.
Harris, H. H.
Houtts, Henry C.
Hotopp, Theo. M. H.

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Hald, Geo.
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Kamm, Henry R.
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Maltby, Wm. E.
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Manzing, Een
Nuckols, Geo. H.
Pond, Samuel S.
Parkison, W. S.
Phillips, A. S.
Rice, Geo. A.
Rees, W. H.
Rohr, Wm.
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Smith, A. H.

Swan, Joseph S.
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Sheppard, Frank A.
Stobaugh, Wm. H.
Scott, R. P.
Stevenson, C. H.
Schuster, Ernest
Smith, W. L.
Slapp, J. M.
Stidger, Josiah B.
St. Clare, W. H.
Trumbor, W. H.
Tanner, Frank P.
Taughenbaugh, J. Frank
Taylor, Ed. T.
Thomas, Thos. G.
Tabor, Geo. H.
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Van Sycle, H. E.
Voorhees, Kilburn C.
Wood, Seth H.
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Ward, Levi
Wraith, Samuel
Weir, John R.

EUREKA LODGE No. 66.**COAL CREEK, FREMONT COUNTY.**

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 Howell, Thos. M.
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Kile, John
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 Lloyd, Henry
 Long, John
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 Mitchell, Wm.
 Newcomb, Wm.
 Newell, James
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 Pople, Roger
 Price, Edwin

Robertson, John
 Shortridge, John
 Sleeter, Julius
 Smith, Edward
 Salmon, Wm.
 Taylor, Charles
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 Ulrich, Byron
 Walton, Joseph
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 Warner, George S.
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OASIS LODGE No. 67.**FORT MORGAN, MORGAN COUNTY.**

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 Curry, J. P.
 Carlson, C. J.
 Cooper, Thos.

Dunlap, G. A.
 Dersham, G. W.
 Dalley, D. H.
 Farwell, Levi A.
 Gill, Mark B.
 Gilbertson, Wm.

Gault, J. H.
 Handy, R. M.
 Heiskell, Tyler D.
 Kinkel, C. W.
 Knearl, Wm.
 Lamborn, Nathan
 Otis, W. D.

Pyott, H. G.
 Putnam, W. W.
 Rickel, W. W.
 Rafferty, Peter
 Richeson, M. S.
 Robinson, G. W.
 Sinton, W. B.

Scoville, C. W.
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 Upperman, J. H.
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 Warner, G. W.

MANITOU LODGE No. 68.

MANITOU, EL PASO COUNTY.

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 Francisco, H. S.
 Greene, H. F.
 Golden, H. G.
 Gunkle, H. H.

Halthusen, W.
 Hutchinson, J. C.
 Jones, D. M.
 Leddy, M. A.
 Leebrich, W. S.
 Leonard, J. C.
 Long, W.
 Lueders, H.
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Nichols, E. E., Jr.
 Norris, F. H.
 Sadler, Geo. W.
 Shine, E. W.
 Snider, G. W.
 Snyder, H. B.
 Smith, J. H.
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 Wilkey, R.
 Woods, E. L.

WINDSOR LODGE No. 69.

NEW WINDSOR, WELD COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Dickerson, A. R.	Kern, Lewis	Severance, David
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LOGAN LODGE No. 70.

JULESBURG, SEDGWICK COUNTY.

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OFFICERS.

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WRAY LODGE No. 71.

WRAY, YUMA COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

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Blust, John	Johnson, F. D.	Shultz, Chas.
Combs, Thomas	Lawver, Wm.	Vaughn, E. H.
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GRANADA LODGE No. 72.

GRANADA, PROWERS COUNTY.

(Communications on or before the full moon and two weeks thereafter in each month.)

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MONTE VISTA LODGE No. 73.

MONTE VISTA, RIO GRANDE COUNTY.

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Brashear, W. M.	Gallher, H. C.	Maben J. D.
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 Packard, W. A.
 Stephenson, Jesse
 Stroup, E. L.
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 Shakespeare, C. N.

Strawn, J. C.
 Sylvester, Fairfield
 Stutsman, C. B.
 Sylvester, L. B.
 Tosh, L. O.

Wallace, R. B.
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 Wintermute, W. S.
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AKRON LODGE No. 74.

AKRON, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

(Communications first Wednesday in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Johnson, Adam J.
 Lewis, Chas.
 McCue, I. N.
 Muntzing, August

Moseman, Henry A.
 Potter, Virgil A.
 Phelps, Albert E.
 Pendleton, Granville
 Phelps, Cyrus H.
 Pickett, Horace G.
 Russell, Wm. H.
 Skelton, William T.
 Schenck, Wm. C.
 Stevenson, Lewis C.
 Stephens, Ithamar

Shoner, Chas. M.
 Shoner, David
 Wind, Paulson B.
 Zook, Ephannon
 Swarm, Francis M.
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 Little, William

ST. JOHNS LODGE No. 75.

ROCKY FORD, OTERO COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Thursdays in each month.)

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 Campbell, Wm. A.
 Combs, Geo. W.
 Denton, Wm. C.
 Dye, Bloomfield N.
 Ellingwood, Hiram E.
 Estep, Thomas C.
 Effner, Friend J.
 Fenton, Ward E.
 Fenlason, Leon E.
 Gauger, John E.
 Godding, John E.
 Gerbing, Gustave T.

Gillespie, Robt. C.
 Graham, Eugene C.
 Harsin, F. M.
 Hale, Chas. W.
 Huntley, F. A.
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 Hyde, Elias
 Hanewalt, Owen
 King, Robert L.
 Kearby, Elias W.
 Kimzey, J. N.
 Lambert, James M.
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 Maxwell, George C.
 McDonald, Saml. A.
 McDonald, Wm. J.
 McCaskill, Wm. H.
 Mathews, Wm.
 Mitchell, B. L.

Nicholes, Andrew
 Osborne, Geo. McD.
 Powell, Benjamin F.
 Padfield, Berger
 Potter, James W.
 Potter, Hez. W.
 Reynolds, Chas. A.
 Rudolph, Wm. M.
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 Robbin, Chas. M.
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 Tourtelotte, J. D.
 Steele, Wm. C.
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 Winchell, Geo. H.
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COLORADO CITY LODGE No. 76.

COLORADO CITY, EL PASO COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Crane, C. A.
 Clark, C. F.
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 Craig, Edward
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Drake, Martin
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 Dibble, A. H.
 Ferrill, Jno. C.
 Gard, J. S.
 George, Alvah
 George, Willis A.
 Godfrey, C. R.
 Greenough, Roger
 Griffith, Richard
 Herr, Israel
 Hickman, Jno. J.
 Humphrey, A. L.
 Halstead, Wm. B.
 Husted, Herbert

Jackson, Jno. M.
 Kissell, Isaac
 Kline, D. C.
 Kneller, Henry
 Koritzky, A.
 Lincum, Wm.
 Lyne, Jno. S.
 Lyons, Frank F.
 Mayhew, B. L.
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 McCarthy, Jno.
 Milton, Jas. H.
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 Nerswinter, Jno.
 Oren, Chas. B.

Oliver, D. R.
 Phelps, M. L.
 Riley, E. J.
 Richmond, B. W.
 Smith, Frank
 Sherman, C. M.
 Smith, M. J. Myers
 Sova, P. M.

Swisher, D. J.
 Smith, Wm. S.
 Stuart, E. H.
 Snyder, Chas. N.
 Tyroff, A. W.
 Waltmeyer, E. L.
 Wolf, W. C.
 Wood, Wm.

Wilber, Jno. J.
 Wilbur, Jno. M.
 Walworth, Jas. J.
 Weston, A. H.
 Wimsatt, Wayne
 Zimmecht, Jno.
 Fastabend, Frank

BURLINGTON LODGE No. 77.

BURLINGTON, KIT CARSON COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Ruggles, A. L.
 Schroeder, T. F.
 Edwards, T. J.

BRIGHTON LODGE No. 78.

BRIGHTON, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

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Davis, L. T.
 Evans, Frank S.
 Garman, H. E.
 Hogarth, Wm.
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 Hopkins, H. A.
 Held, F. J.

Kidder, W. C.
 Knapp, Jas.
 Kelsey, Van B.
 Kearney, F. E.
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 Lee, Geo. R.
 Maul, Max O.

Munson, T. L.
McGregor, J. W.
McKee, Geo. S.
McNeill, J. B.
McDougall, John
McMurtrie, Thomas A.
Pearce, H. B.

Parker, T. S.
Parkins, Wm.
Quinn, Harry J.
Redfield, G. P.
Stueland, L. A.
Springfield, J. H.
Stewart, C. S.

Snyder, C. D.
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Williamson, A. W.

RICO LODGE No. 79.

RICO, DOLORES COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.)

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Day, F. G.
Edwards, John
Gault, John
Gage, Joseph R.
Habermann, Louis
Hockley, L. H.
Hull, W. L.
Hutt, Geo. H.
Jay, Wm. D.
Klingender, Henry

King, W. A.
Kelly, Jay F.
Landon, J. P.
Lynch, A. R.
Lewis, T. J.
Litchfield, A. B.
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Morrish, W. C.
Meyer, Bernhardt
Meredith, Chas. A.
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Parshall, W. W.
Pringle, H. B.
Parshall, Geo. S.

Palmer, W. J.
Petherbridge, C. L.
Root, Geo. H.
Reid, John N.
Ransom, S. M.
Rust, A. A.
Robinson, J. F.
Rider, Percy S.
Swickhimer, D.
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Stevens, W. F.
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Yemans, Harry D.

RIO BLANCO LODGE No. 80.

MEEKER, RIO BLANCO COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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 Moulton, O. C.
 McHatton, J. L.
 Pfeffer, F. W. H.
 Pierce, R.
 Smith, D.

Sheridan, F. E.
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 Walbridge, L. B.
 Welch, W. H.

HOLYOKE LODGE No. 81.

HOLYOKE, PHILLIPS COUNTY.

(Communications two in each month.)

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 Copp, Milton D.

Dakan, Eugene S.
 Douglas, Rufus M.
 Gaddy, David A.
 Hoskins, Robert A.
 Hoskins, Benjamin A.
 Hatcher, John H.
 Jones, Abraham L.
 Kelsey, Wm. B.

McCarty, C. S.
 Post, Wm. D.
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 Scheunemann, Gustav
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 Vierson, Lovell S.
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CARBONDALE LODGE No. 82.**CARBONDALE, GARFIELD COUNTY.**

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

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 Dunlap, John W.
 Eubank, Samuel

Fishel, Chas. W.
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 Elliot, Henry J.
 Hodges, Allen T.
 Ittleson, Oscar
 Hill, Benj. B.
 Johnson, Martin
 Linholm, Andrew
 McClure, Chas. O.
 O'Leary, Edward

Reeves, William R.
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 Reese, John
 Reese, William

BERTHOUD LODGE No. 83.**BERTHOUD, LARIMER COUNTY.**

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

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 Davis, Jas.
 Eidson, Jas. L.
 Eldson, Wm.
 Ferguson, Jas. M.

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 Harris, Geo. M.
 Hubbell, R. M.
 Hewitt, Chas.
 Knott, A. A.
 Malze, Hiram
 McCarty, D. W.
 Miner, John R.
 Mills, W. L.

Miner, Chas.
 Mann, E. L.
 May, D. M.
 Newell, W. T.
 Parish, H. J.
 Smoke, O. H.
 Stryker, C. V.
 Spauer, J. L.
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TRINIDAD LODGE No. 89.

TRINIDAD, LAS ANIMAS COUNTY.

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LAMAR LODGE No. 90.

LAMAR, PROWERS COUNTY.

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LAFAYETTE, BOULDER COUNTY.

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 Davis, David E.

Fruith, Geo. J.
 Hopkins, O. M.
 Jones, Joseph D.
 Lawson, Nelson A.
 McNeil, Daniel
 Runge, G. W.
 Simpson, John H.
 Simpson, Joseph

Simpson, James
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 Stowell, Geo. E.
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 Carlson, John A.
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 Carrow, Paul H.

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 Corbin, Charles N.
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 Haas, Frank
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 Hamilton, George T.
 Hapgood, Addison H.
 Harris, Harry
 Hefkins, Harry W.
 Herbst, William G.
 Hester, William R.
 Higson, James
 Higson, J. Ernest

Hoevet, Alfred T.
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Holder, Harry C.
Ives, Frank W.
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Phillips, John T.
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Roll, Frederick W.

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Smith, John
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SOUTH DENVER LODGE No. 93.

DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

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Powell, D. P.
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Sherwood, A. B.
Tuck, G. E.
Thorpe, J. T.
Telfer, G.
Taylor, R. D.
Tozler, M. H.
Vote, G. E.
Warren, E. W.
Weaver, G. W.
Williams, W. M.
Webb, J.
Wolfe, G. F.
Whitehead, G. A.
Wing, W. F.

AMETHYST LODGE No. 94.

CITY OF CREEDE, MINERAL COUNTY.

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Absalom V. Tabor, W. M.
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Charles H. Harpst, Treas.
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Fred M. Burrows, S. D.
Warren W. Crooks, J. D.
William C. Dwigans, S. S.
Benoni S. Greathouse, J. S.
Charles Bessey, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

Allenby, Henry
Atkinson, John A.
Ash, Charles
Boyle, Walter G.
Beer, Nimrod F.
Covert, Washington I.
Crawford, Esker H.
Carver, B. F.
Chapman, J. A. J.
Coombs, Fred G.
Collins, Albert M.
Dunlap, B. H.
Dunlap, W. W.
Edwards, J. H.
Elting, Charles T.
Fergus, Thomas J.
Frazee, Finley

Guinn, William L.
Higgins, Edward
Hendricks, R. E.
Hull, John B.
Hord, Clarence C.
Hogvall, Anton
Kemble, George H.
Lloyd, Joseph
Lazotte, Herbert L.
McKenzie, Alexander
McCormick, William
McLeod, Isaac R.
Newlove, Benj. C.
Peters, John L.
Pitcher, James D.
Roe, Clark W.

Shimer, Frank
Southey, George
Smith, George K.
Smith, Curtis J.
Simpson, Alexander N.
Sharpe, Thomas
Swanson, John P. A.
Soward, Frank E.
Soward, Daniel W.
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Whitehead, Aug. H.
Withrow, J. W.
Woodruff, Mark G.
Westlake, James W.
Walker, James
Watkins, Waltus J.

SILVER STATE LODGE No. 95.

PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Thursdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Jas. Rankin Strugnell, W. M.
Geo. Reynolds, S. W.
E. E. Hubbell, J. W.
Jas. Hopkins, Treas.
Myroe D. Pannebaker, Sec'y.

R. L. Graham, S. D.
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MEMBERS.

Algeo, James
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Booth, E. E.

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Chapman, J. W.
Chamberlain, I. D.
Cosslett, Walter
Crawford, J. W.
Crompton, Edwin

Cambler, Jacob
Davis, N. S.
Davies, S. M.
Davies, John
Davies, T. C.
Dobson, H. L.

* Not a member.

Dorrington, Jos. C.	Knight, Chas. C.	Roe, Geo. W.
Dorman, E. G.	Kennon, J. W.	Reece, C. W.
Dorman, C. F.	Kimmel, O. P.	Rice, C. O.
Dalrymple, Wm. R.	Lannon, Chas. A.	Ramage, T. J.
Devine, Thos. H.	Lepkovitz, Nathan	Kushmer, G. E.
Davies, Walter C.	Lewis, John	Rogers, Freeman C.
Ellis, Jno. H.	Luttin, Luke	Riesenecker, Anthony
French, Melvin C.	Luce, E. H.	Ritter, John
Fugard, A. L.	Lawson, W. M.	Reynolds, Oliver
Fraser, W. G.	Lindsley, Francis R.	Raven, Harry
Furman, L. B.	Low, J. H. H.	Rogers, Jas. S.
Gordon, H. C.	Meales, J. M.	Sage, F. E.
Greene, D. R.	Mills, Chas. W.	Singer, Frank
Greene, Richard M.	Morgan, James	Schropp, W. H.
Graham, Thos. L.	Morgan, David	Smith, L. W.
Gerrish, Harry H.	Mootz, Nicholas	Stewart, A. T.
Hathaway, E. W.	Meston, Francis I.	Stephenson, Thos.
Hartman, Adolph	McGregor, Alex.	Smith, Edward E.
Hughes, James	McNeel, Wallace B.	Taylor, W. E.
Hughes, Wm. E.	McGrath, Miles	Thompson, A. K.
Hillerman, Wm. D.	Niles, A. P.	Thompson, Jas. K.
Hugo, Chas. V.	Niece, W. E.	Tainter, Fred O.
Howe, W. E.	Park, Andrew	Willett, C. W.
Jackson, E. M.	Patrick, Geo. F.	White, J. A.
Jackson, Alex.	Quackenbush, R. M., Jr.	Waverly, Edwin
Johnson, J. Will	Quackenbush, C. H.	Wilkins, Thos.
Jupp, Alfred E.		

MT. PISGAH LODGE No. 96.

CRIPPLE CREEK, TELLER COUNTY.

(Communications every Thursday in each month.)

OFFICERS.

J. Knox Burton, W. M.
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MEMBERS.

Adams, J. H.
Airheart, Theodore P.
Aldred, John W.
Allen, Amos
Asbury, John W.
Anderson, William H.
Arnold, Augustus L.
Barker, Mathew C.
Baughman, Charles E.
Bergman, O. F.

Binner, John L.
Bernard, William W.
Bower, Charles G.
Bourne, Sydney H.
Bray, W. A.
Brewster, George P.
Brower, John
Brown, Robert J.
Burns, James F.
Blizard, Ira

Campbell, Alexander J.
Carman, John S.
Carruthers, Robert W.
Card, William S.
Chambers, W. J.
Chapman, Jas.
Clark, William L.
Colburn, Frank A.
Crandall, W. P.
Crooks, John

Countryman, Theo. R.
 Cohn, Morris
 Cohn, Louis L.
 Coddling, Charles H.
 Dougherty, John
 Davis, Robert
 Doyle, James A.
 Duncan, W. R.
 Ege, Manitou A.
 Finn, Maurice J.
 Franks, D. H.
 Furthmiller, William
 Fuchs, Isadore
 Fuller, Willard M.
 Funk, Zalmon E.
 Galloway, Jas. H.
 George, Lee
 Glauber, Moritz
 Grauman, David
 Grant, Charles E.
 Gill, George
 Hall, David S.
 Harnan, John
 Harris, William H.
 Helm, Will
 Hettig, Peter
 Hills, Victor G.
 Hurd, J. E.
 Jounson, Arthur J.
 Jones, Gilbert W.
 Kadish, Bela
 Kellogg, Henry
 Kohn, George W.
 Kramer, Charles J.
 Leimberger, Harry
 Leonard, William H.

Ilggott, William T.
 Loyd, Evan
 Mallins, F. A.
 Mahew, George W.
 Mellinger, Frank M.
 Mollette, A. Rex
 Moulton, Frank P.
 Montgomery, Willis S.
 Moon, William E.
 Mulertz, Fred. N.
 McArthur, Marshall M. P.
 McCauley, William M.
 McClelland, Wm. Black
 McCoy, Jacob C.
 McDonald, Samuel
 Neal, J. S.
 Newcomb, Edgar C.
 Opp, George
 Olwell, Joseph T.
 Paver, Jas. H.
 Pankey, Charles A.
 Pease, Nelson H.
 Phetterplace, Don
 Porges, Sigmund
 Pritchard, Louis M.
 Pullin, William B.
 Pearce, George
 Ridpath, Charles
 Rinker, John E.
 Roman, John H.
 Rose, H. B.
 Ross, Donald
 Ruecan, Louis H. R. Von
 Salisbury, John C.
 Seeley, John E.
 Sergeant, Ellis

Seeds, William P.
 Shaffer, Edward L.
 Shelton, L. R.
 Shepherd, Henry L.
 Siegfried, Henry N.
 Smith, Charles C.
 Smith, John W.
 Smith, Laban E.
 Squires, William B.
 Stanley, James M.
 Steele, Bruce B.
 Stephenson, Percy
 Stoddard, Edgar C.
 Story, J. Holdgate
 Stover, Samuel C.
 Strong, Samuel
 Sullivan, Michael
 Tingley, C. L.
 Tomlinson, J. B.
 Thomas, Thornton H.
 Trevarrow, Edwin J.
 Trevarrow, William
 Trevarthan, Robert A.
 Turnbull, John A. C.
 Varney, Chester L.
 Veak, John E.
 Willis, Bushrod
 Williams, Winfield S.
 Wilson, J. H.
 Wilson, Hiram
 Whiting, John A.
 White, W. C.
 Walters, Felix H.
 Young, James
 Young, A. C.

FREMONT LODGE No. 97.

FLORENCE, FREMONT COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Moses E. Lewis, W. M.
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 John B. Meserve, J. W.
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 Geo. L. Killian, Sec'y.

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 Thomas Walters, J. D.
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 Wm. J. Magill, J. S.
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MEMBERS.

Ash, Jessie F.	Gibson, W. M.	McLaren, J. M.
Ayer, Alva S.	Gunn, J. Wallace	McEniry, T. J.
Bedwell, T. H.	Hawkins, W. P.	McDermid, Murdock
Bridgford, Henry	Hanks, J. M.	Oates, Geo. W.
Beech, Benj.	Hartman, E. B.	Patterson, J. H.
Blunt, John E.	Hemphill, A. F.	Probst, J. H.
Burns, John	Irwin, John S.	Pierce, Harry
Brimble, J. W.	Jack, D. A.	Phillips, W. J.
Brown, Chas. W.	Jack, Ed. F.	Palmer, A. G.
Clark, R. J.	Johnson, Jas. G.	Rambo, Jas. W.
Clark, Frank H.	Kirkbride, S. H.	Rentfrow, Grant
Cromley, Frank D.	Keller, Frank	Richardson, A.
Callahan, Jas. P. H.	Keating, Thos. C.	Rowe, David L.
Daniels, W. J.	Lines, Matt N.	Rathbun, Gideon
Derrick, J. B.	Leitch, Alexander	Reynolds, James
Davie, W. H.	Myers, A. F.	Steen, L. M.
Davis, Bennett S.	Moore, H. N.	Stewart, R. D.
Daniels, J. B.	Morse, C. S.	Squyres, W. M.
Dyer, L. Curtis	Mitchell, Wm. E.	Saylor, E. C.
Eynon, David	Murry, J. W.	Smith, Arthur H.
Espey, J. A.	Mitchell, Alf. R.	Sharp, W. M.
Edwards, Allison J.	Mouser, M. A.	Tindall, W. F.
Eakin, Chas. P.	McCreery, J. C.	Watts, J. S.
Eakin, J. Howard	McDaniels, J. H.	Walters, J. W.
Gullanger, A.		

HIRAM LODGE No. 98.

ASPEN, PITKIN COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Daniel P. Siverling, W. M.	Mark G. Kobey, S. D.
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Walter S. Clark, Treas.	Lewis R. Fechtig, J. S.
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Angestine, George W.	Bonnell, Edd. C.	Ferris, Alfred T.
Ashby, James M.	Broyles, Samuel M.	Freeman, Henry O.
Alex, Celestine	Burnett, Antoine R.	Glassbrook, Clarence I.
Brown, David R. C.	Coble, David A.	Grenemyre, Wallace G.
Brown, Lemuel A. W.	Carstens, Alex.	Gillespie, Thomas N.
Brown, George B.	Cooper, Clark	Henney, Nathaniel
Bowers, Levi H.	Chatfield, Isaac W.	Humes, James
Broncombe, Frederick J.	Dills, James M.	Huff, William T.
Brunton, David W.	Edwards, Ellsworth J.	Huff, Charles B.

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Hall, Willis D.
 Johnson, John F.
 Jewett, Frank L.
 Kemble, Lewis H.
 Kendig, John D.
 Kingsland, Samuel L.
 Lowenhagen, Fred.
 McMurray, James
 McCrea, Calvin
 Miller, Chas. W.
 McLelland, William A.
 McPherson, David F.
 Mooney, Simon
 Olson, Bernhardt L.
 Pipe, Arthur E.

Palmquist, John
 Powell, Edwin
 Percival, William W.
 Putnam, James B.
 Parr, Roy C.
 Ross, George
 Royal, George F.
 Robinson, Charles D.
 Rollins, R. C.
 Rogers, Edwin M.
 Shields, Robert
 Smith, Carroll B.
 Scott, Joseph H.
 Strawbridge, Benj. M.
 Shields, William

Seigal, Fred W.
 Strehlike, Albert L.
 Shaw, Hubert L.
 Shilling, Isaac W.
 Thomas, Charles H.
 Tays, George H.
 Williams, John R.
 Williams, John M.
 Williams, William W.
 Wright, Henry M.
 Wilson, Wilber R.
 Wilcox, Herbert A.
 Young, Emil W.
 Young, Thomas
 Yates, Frank M.

VICTOR LODGE No. 99.

VICTOR, TELLER COUNTY.

(Communications Tuesday evenings in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Harry Hendrie, W. M.
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 Chas. A. Phillips, S. S.
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MEMBERS.

Armstrong, L. A.
 Aymer, Robert
 Azdell, John B.
 Anderson, Andrew
 Baldwin, Walter A.
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 Baney, A. C.
 Bente, Wm. F.
 Bockfinger, Geo. J.
 Bodfish, Fred. V.
 Brown, Fred. S.
 Brownell, H. C.
 Burns, Thos. F.
 Burnside, James
 Call, J. B.
 Campbell, John L.
 Cann, Eli
 Clements, D. N.
 Condon, John S.
 Connors, P. A.
 Cooper, Chas. L.

Cowgill, M. J.
 Coulsen, Saml. F.
 Crawford, A. S.
 Cunningham, J. B.
 Curry, John
 Danenhauer, Lelan
 Dolf, George R.
 Downey, J. B.
 Eads, Norris E.
 Edmonds, John
 Emery, Chas. H.
 Ferney, W. G.
 Frost, A. S.
 George, Chas. J.
 Godfrey, C. R.
 Gould, E. E.
 Good, Oscar
 Greve, M. D.
 Gurney, Chas. D.
 Hall, C. D.
 Hanesworth, C. E.

Harris, R. H.
 Hawes, John
 Hazelton, Geo.
 Hillebert, Spencer M.
 Hoag, S. H.
 Hore, Jacob J.
 Hore, Sampson
 Huff, John W.
 Hunt, John H.
 Johns, John H.
 Johnson, Jasper W.
 Johnson, W. O.
 Jones, A. P.
 Jones, B. F.
 Kelso, Clarence P.
 Kerr, W. N.
 Klepper, Fred.
 Kenyon, A. D.
 Lambert, Fred.
 Lindres, D. G.
 Lohnes, B. F.

McCabe, Jay	Neuman, Robert	Squires, H. D.
McCoach, John	Owens, J. J.	Swem, Chas. E.
McConnell, Robert S.	Perine, M. G.	Tatman, J. C.
McCormick, Sam	Perry, John G.	Thayer, Leslie W.
McKenzie, Geo.	Pierce, Ross C.	Thatcher, F. F.
McKenzie, John H.	Phillips, Geo. J.	Thompson, W. W.
McKenzie, Wm.	Pollock, H. H.	Treadwell, W. A.
McLain, J. A.	Price, Curtice S.	Truesdell, H. S.
McLellan, Leslie C.	Price, John W.	Vaughan, Lewis R.
Mays, A. G.	Reed, Robert W.	Vincent, John M.
Mellen, William	Robison, M. A.	Wallace, James
Merton, Ed.	Rollins, Wm. P.	Weaver, W. B.
Merritt, Geo. N.	Rucker, Wm. J.	Welch, Edwin P.
Miller, M. L.	Ruse, Joseph	White, E. L.
Mitchell, Thos. J.	Scofield, John W.	Wilder, Eugene
Moore, Harry G.	Scofield, Roger W.	Willis, John
Mowat, J. L.	Seeman, John	Wilson, Josiah C.
Murray, John	Sheppard, J. S.	Windsor, R. P.
Nelson, Gustave	Smith, Eric	Woods, Frank M.
Newland, E. H.	Stevens, E. A.	Williams, John W.
Norris, Joseph	Streit, N. J.	

MANCOS LODGE No. 100.

MANCOS, MONTEZUMA COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Tuesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Harry V. Ausburn, W. M.	Casper M. Coston, S. D.
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Chas. B. Kelly, J. W.	Andrew T. Samson, S. S.
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MEMBERS.

Armstrong, Fred. L.	Funk, James A.	Shallas, Chas.
Burghardt, Jared H.	Krumpanitzky, B. M.	Smith, Steven J.
Coston, Clarence L.	Mott, Chas.	Wesh, John
Crain, William E.	Redmond, Daniel H.	Williams, L. C.
Fellows, A. Lincoln	Robertson, Wm.	

PLATEAU LODGE No. 101.

MESA, MESA COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

Geo. W. Masters, W. M.
Geo. W. Bales, S. W.
Adolph J. Godding, J. W.
Chas. W. Napier, Treas.
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Thos. B. Hawxhurst, S. D.
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MEMBERS.

Breeze, Lewis H.
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Carlisle, Wm. J.
Dinkle, Jas. H.
DeBeque, Wallace A. E.
Ditman, Wm.
Dowden, Samuel M.

Hazard, Geo. B.
Hawxhurst, John
Hawxhurst, Alec B.
Hinton, Geo. Fred.
Kimball, Gayton P. O.
Laswell, Marion E.
Lowell, John W.
Mattingly, J. J.

Milner, Jeff.
Napier, Jo. F.
Ostrom, Ralph W.
Shotwell, Geo. W.
Shotwell, Jasper
Tower, Joseph D.
Waldron, Trueman
Winter, Jo. T.

MT. LAMBORN LODGE No. 102.

HOTCHKISS, DELTA COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

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Ed. P. Barrow, Sec'y.

N. Dwight Bennett, S. D.
Jas. K. Ellis, J. D.
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Edward E. Hall, J. S.
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MEMBERS.

Coburn, Watson S.
Hammond, Henry J.
Kennedy, Paul E.

Hurst, James W.
Quackenbush, Edmund B.
Miller, Chas. R.
Smith, David

VULCAN LODGE No. 103.

HOOPER, COSTILLA COUNTY.

(Communications second and fourth Saturdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

William M. Asher, W. M.
 Chas. R. Foster, S. W.
 H. E. Predham, J. W.
 Thos. Rosbrough, Treas.
 Edward M. Perdew, Sec'y.

A. Loehwing, S. D.
 W. R. Pyke, J. D.
 W. T. Wellington, S. S.
 W. M. Willis, J. S.
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MEMBERS.

Buckley, Rubin R.
 Brown, John C.
 Lockett, Henry C.
 Johnson, Edward B.
 Morgan, John B.
 Page, William R.

Abrams, James O.
 Tuttle, Watson P.
 McFadden, Jas.
 Crouch, Chas. R.
 Groves, H. S.
 Gumprecht, Geo. C.

Wills, Robt. B.
 Apple, John
 Hemstee, William L.
 Clark, Geo. W.
 Horn, William F.
 Heurt, James L.

TEJON LODGE No. 104.

COLORADO SPRINGS, EL PASO COUNTY.

(Communications first and third Wednesdays in each month.)

OFFICERS.

W. W. Williamson, W. M.
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 J. T. Reed, J. W.
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E. P. Hufferd, S. D.
 J. R. Friedline, J. D.
 Brooks Irone, S. S.
 J. W. Atkinson, J. S.
 E. W. Frost, Tiler.*

MEMBERS.

Ashby, Richard
 Atkinson, L. S.
 Atkinson, W. W.
 Beshears, James
 Barnes, Wm. R.
 Bourne, J. I.
 Bourne, J. G.
 Barnes, M. O.
 Coe, Wm. R.
 Dudley, C. H.
 Gates, H. E.
 Hyde, E. A.

Hayner, F. G.
 Hemenway, A.
 James, George
 Jenkins, Wm. B.
 Johnson, L. L.
 Link, T. C.
 Maybery, J. F.
 Miller, C. J.
 McWhorter, Wm. A.
 Randall, Geo. H.
 Reed, A. E.

Scott, F. L.
 Scott, J. W.
 Simpson, James
 Smith, S. Ben.
 Sill, J. A.
 Stainsky, Gus
 Strickler, H. E.
 Strong, F. N.
 Turnbull, Geo. B.
 Whitehead, B.
 Wills, H. LeB.

* Not a member.

CHARTERED IN 1899.

DEL NORTE LODGE No. 105.

DEL NORTE, RIO GRANDE COUNTY.

Dispensation issued May 10, 1898, to Tyrian Lodge.

John Gurdon Huntington, W. M. Edward Rugg Hoyt, S. W.
Roy Campbell, J. W.

Christian Keck.

Martin Hanna.

Henry Meade Dyer.

Shepard Phillips.

Ezra Taylor Elliott.

Strother Nicholas Scott.

Mark Biedell.

James Herman Baxter.

Gottfried Kernen.

John Ostrum.

Henry Clay Aydellotte.

Jacob Gredlg.

George Andrew Willis.

August John Robran.

Alfred George Beere.

Alden Bassett.

John Off.

Thomas Allen Good.

Adam Jacob Weiss.

Loui Weiss.

John Cleghorn.

Samuel Alvin Thomas.

Julius Henry Weiss.

John Albert Arthur.

Fred. Raber.

Frank William Hubbard.

Duncan Colville.

Above thirty from the late Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo., with Grand Lodge certificates.

Richard Clarence Scott, from Olive Branch Lodge No. 32, Saguache, Colo. Dimit dated November 6, 1897.

William Otterbein Statton, from Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, Monte Vista, Colo. Dimit dated January 11, 1898.

James Harrah Collins, from Monte Vista Lodge No. 73, Monte Vista, Colo. Dimit dated December 15, 1897.

John Bernard Haffy, from Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo. Dimit dated March 4, 1884.

Jesse Clinton Willey, from Irving Lodge No. 455, Irving, Ill. Dimit not dated.

Henry Weiss, from Del Norte Lodge No. 29, Del Norte, Colo. Dimit dated January 20, 1895.

Dispensation continued, September 21, 1898.

Charter granted September 20, 1899, as Del Norte Lodge No. 105, to all the above, and to

George Edward Wood, Arthur Thomas Scott,

Charles Henry Jones, John McFadzean,

Peter Francis Barclay,

raised while under dispensation, and

Don Oliver Heywood, George Wesley Franklin,

John William Wingate, John Ewing, Jr.,

John Wylie Skinner,

from the late Del Norte Lodge No. 29, with Grand Lodge certificates.

With John Gurdon Huntington, W. M., Richard Clarence Scott, S. W., Roy Campbell, J. W.

EGERIA LODGE.

YAMPA, ROUTT COUNTY.

Dispensation issued July 27, 1898.

William J. Breckel, W. M., from St. Vrain Lodge No. 23, Longmont, Colo. Dimit dated March 5, 1898.

Ervin D. Eaton, S. W., from Corning Lodge No. 13, Corning, Kan. Dimit dated May 7, 1898.

Douglas D. Lees, J. W., from Yampa Lodge No. 88, Craig, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1898.

William C. Schaller, from Prudence Lodge No. 119, Canistota, S. D. Dimit dated May 20, 1898.

James H. Laramore, from El Paso Lodge No. 13, Colorado Springs, Colo. Dimit dated November 14, 1885.

Frank W. Pickett, from Arapahoe Lodge No. 109, Arapahoe, Neb. Dimit dated June 24, 1898.

Harvey F. Sturdevant, from Collins Lodge No. 19, Fort Collins, Colo. Dimit dated July 20, 1898.

Henry J. Hernage, from Yampa Lodge No. 88, Craig, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1898.

Albert J. Leckenby, from Kennedy Lodge No. 467, Kennedy, Ala. Dimit dated June 14, 1898.

Cassius M. Velts, from Mesa Lodge No. 55, Grand Junction, Colo. Dimit dated July 21, 1898.

Dispensation continued, September 21, 1898.

Charter granted September 20, 1899, to all the above and to

Levi A. Trantham,	James Clyde Crossan,
Albert J. Carpp,	George C. Crossan,
Edwin H. McFarland,	William M. Patton,
Eben Rich,	Jerry N. McWilliams,
Frederick A. Metcalf,	Samuel A. Tomes,
John P. Phillips,	Lewis L. Wilson,

Thomas P. Lindsey,

raised while under dispensation.

Joseph M. Woolery, from Ionic Lodge No. 35, Leadville, Colo. Dimit dated August 1, 1899.

Bros. Lees and Hernage, dues paid to September 19, 1899.

MOUNT AUDUBON LODGE No. 107.

WARD, BOULDER COUNTY.

Dispensation issued January 31, 1899, to Audubon Lodge.

Robert R. Gibbon, W. M., from Boulder Lodge No. 45, Boulder, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

Milburn Knapp, S. W., from Columbia Lodge No. 14, Boulder, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

Jasper P. Coffey, J. W., from Boulder Lodge No. 45, Boulder, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

Augustus Beck, from Lemhi Lodge No. 11, Salmon City, Idaho. Dimit dated January 4, 1899.

Uriah McClancy, from Columbia Lodge No. 14, Boulder, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

Edward W. Mecham, from Linwood Lodge No. 567, Linwood, Ohio. Dimit dated July 2, 1898.

Clarence Jarbeau, from Collins Lodge No. 19, Fort Collins, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

William T. McGinnis, from Minden Lodge No. 127, Minden, Neb. Dimit dated August 9, 1898.

John Hartley, from Dubuque Lodge No. 3, Dubuque, Iowa. Dimit dated September 11, 1898.

James A. Rundell, from Instruction Lodge No. 275, Corning, Iowa. Dimit dated June 6, 1898.

Hiram W. Churchill, from Compass Lodge No. 239, Parkersburg, Iowa. Dimit dated December 22, 1898.

William P. Fulton, from Sterling Lodge No. 171, Sterling, Kan. Dimit dated December 17, 1891.

Nathaniel D. Sibley, from Columbia Lodge No. 14, Boulder, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

William A. Wood, from Mendota Lodge No. 174, Mendota, Va. Dimit dated July 14, 1898.

Charter granted September 20, 1899, as Mount Audubon Lodge No. 107, to all the above and to

William Coleman, Jacob J. Row, James Tonkin, raised while under dispensation.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

GOLDFIELD LODGE.

GOLDFIELD, TELLER COUNTY.

Dispensation issued August 8, 1899.

Luff Lewis Hamilton, W. M., from Durango Lodge No. 46, Durango, Colo. Dimit dated December 1, 1898.

Eli Cann, S. W., from Victor Lodge No. 99, Victor, Colo. Dues paid to August 31, 1899. No certificate of standing.

William McKenzie, J. W., from Victor Lodge No. 99, Victor, Colo. Dues paid to November 30, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Valentine Getz, from Washington Lodge No. 12, Georgetown, Coló. Dues paid to September 27, 1899.

Charles Isreal Stephens, from Acacia Lodge No. 85, Colorado Springs, Colo. Grand Lodge certificate.

William L. Beaty, from Hot Springs Lodge No. 61, Hot Springs, Ark. Dimit dated April 3, 1896.

Wilbur C. Morrish, from Rico Lodge No. 79, Rico, Colo. Dues paid to September 30, 1899.

Phillip Marshall Sova, from Colorado City Lodge No. 76, Colorado City, Colo. Dues paid to September 30, 1899.

Peter Marshall Hamn, from Crystal Lake Lodge No. 34, Lake City, Colo. Dues paid to December 26, 1899. No certificate of standing.

James Drummond, from Atlanta Lodge No. 165, Atlanta, Ill. Dimit dated April 4, 1899.

Benj. Franklin Jones, from Victor Lodge No. 99, Victor, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Erick Smith, from Victor Lodge No. 99, Victor, Colo. Dues paid to September 10, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Thomas Clark Keating, from Fremont Lodge No. 97, Florence, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Dispensation continued September 20, 1899, and concurrent jurisdiction with Victor Lodge No. 99, at Victor, granted.

ABDALLAH LODGE.

EATON, WELD COUNTY.

Dispensation issued August 23, 1899.

Will Lloyd Petrikin, W. M., from Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

Frank N. Thomas, S. W., from Collins Lodge No. 19, Fort Collins, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

James Marion Price, J. W., from Glenwood Lodge No. 65, Glenwood Springs, Colo. Dimit dated April 6, 1899.

Norman William Bellrose, from Seventy Six Lodge No. 14, Swanton, Vt. Dimit dated January 10, 1899.

George Carl Smith, from Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899.

George William Atkinson, from Temple Lodge No. 84, Denver, Colo. Dimit dated July 6, 1899.

James Wolfe, from Pleasant Lodge No. 178, Pleasantville, Iowa. Dimit dated January 24, 1899.

Albert Earnest Witzel, from Diana Lodge No. 69, Artesian, S. Dak. Dimit dated August 1, 1899.

Daniel Eikenberry Miller, from Union Lodge No. 7, Denver, Colo. Dimit dated August 12, 1899.

Bruce Grant Eaton, from Windsor Lodge No. 69, New Windsor, Colo. Dues paid to December 27, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Samuel Doney Dickerson, from Windsor Lodge No. 69, New Windsor, Colo. Dues paid to December 27, 1899.

Ernest Grover Steele, from Salina Lodge No. 60, Salina, Kan. Dimit dated February 6, 1899.

James Monroe Collins, from Allegheney Lodge No. 114, Blairsville, Ga. Dimit dated June 10, 1893.

William Potter Allen, from Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley, Colo. Dues paid to October 1, 1899. No certificate of standing.

Dispensation continued September 20, 1899.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY
OF
FRANCIS L. CHILDS,
DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 1876.
BORN
SEPTEMBER 22, 1824,
WILMINGTON, VERMONT.
DIED
SEPTEMBER 29, 1898,
GREELEY, COLORADO.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY

OF

OREN HARRISON HENRY,

GRAND MASTER 1875,

GRAND HIGH PRIEST 1877.

BORN

OCTOBER 14, 1842,

WATERFORD, VERMONT.

DIED

OCTOBER 4, 1898,

DENVER, COLORADO.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY
OF
GEORGE EDWARD WYMAN,
GRAND MASTER 1885,
GRAND COMMANDER K. T. 1890.
BORN
JANUARY 4, 1848,
ALCESTER, ENGLAND.
DIED
MARCH 6, 1890,
DENVER, COLORADO.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY
OF
BYRON L. CARR,
GRAND MASTER 1879,
GRAND COMMANDER K. T. 1891.
BORN
HAVERHILL, NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1841.
DIED
APRIL 21, 1899,
MINERAL WELLS, TEXAS.

In Memoriam.

IN MEMORY
OF
DEPARTED BRETHREN
WITHIN THE JURISDICTION
OF
THE M. W. GRAND LODGE
OF
COLORADO
WHO HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD
SINCE OUR LAST REPORT.

1899.

In Memoriam.

TO THE MEMORY
OF
THE BELOVED DEAD
OF
OTHER JURISDICTIONS.
1899.

Our Fraternal Dead.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Ratliff, J. W.	4	March 13, 1899
Casley, Thomas E.	4	 1899
Tucker, A. W.	4	 1899
Thomas, James B.	4	December 25, 1898
Wickes, Charles P.	5	October 20, 1898
McNamee, Allen	5	January 5, 1899
Cooper, Job A.	5	January 19, 1899
McMurtrie, J. A.	5	February 15, 1899
Hurst, Joseph	5	February 12, 1899
Allen, Louis D.	5	March 16, 1899
Hunter, Thomas	5	April 8, 1899
Henderson, John T.	5	August 27, 1899
Bray, Ambrose	6	November 2, 1898
Hare, Henry	6	March 2, 1899
Lake, Wilbert H.	6	June 10, 1899
Harris, Arthur C.	7	September 3, 1898
Miller, Wm. Braxton	7	September 26, 1898
Charles, John Q.	7	December 9, 1898
Hardy, Samuel	12	October 18, 1898
Murdock, Albert G.	12	August 10, 1899
Hall, Lavolotte	13	January 10, 1899
Bigelow, G. M.	13	January 18, 1899
Fife, John W.	13	August 14, 1899
Shires, Thomas	14	October 15, 1898
Henry, O. H.	14	October 4, 1898
Harmon, George D.	14	October 20, 1898
Davis, Charles	14	March 28, 1899
McCall, N. H.	14	January 20, 1899
Green, Henry	14	July 26, 1899
Rathbun, Samuel A.	15	October, 29, 1898
Smith, Caleb J.	15	February 13, 1899
Abrahams, Joseph	17	May 23, 1899
Adams, Walter G.	17	January 4, 1899
Erdman, Charles	17	November 3, 1898
Stewart, John S.	17	March 25, 1899
Bennett, F. O.	19	March 1899
Garbutt, Edward N.	19	October 25, 1898
Love, Eph.	19	May 13, 1899
Wills, Joseph R.	19	November 13, 1898
Arthur, James S.	19	August 8, 1899
Hottel, Andrew J.	19	August 9, 1899
Childs, Francis L.	20	September 29, 1898
Davis, Joel E.	20	August 8, 1899
Messinger, Francis C.	20	October 31, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Webb, C. O.....	23	November 21, 1898
Carr, Byron L.....	23	April 22, 1899
Link, James M.....	25	March 28, 1899
Dixon, Thomas C.....	26	October 3, 1898
Harmes, Wm. L.....	27	December 14, 1898
Carter, John D.....	27	February 9, 1899
Quillian, Asbury H.....	27	April 4, 1899
Lawther, Thomas.....	27	July 10, 1899
Cartter, H. B.....	30	August 21, 1899
Robbins, H. E.....	31	February 6, 1899
Pochon, Joseph L.....	31	March 1, 1899
Shrock, Frank H.....	31	April 17, 1899
Banks, Horace N.....	31	June 29, 1899
Hathaway, Henry D.....	31	August 7, 1899
White, Henry.....	32	November 10, 1898
Lawson, L. C.....	35	March 8, 1899
McMillan, Neill.....	35	June 7, 1899
Scott, J. F.....	37	June 12, 1899
Bleecker, John C.....	39	August 14, 1899
Ell, Hermann.....	41	November 7, 1898
Zang, Philip.....	41	February 18, 1899
Karcher, J. B.....	41	March 27, 1899
Fertig, John T.....	41	August 19, 1899
Whitney, Sumner.....	42	September 7, 1898
Chase, Andrew E.....	42	March 29, 1899
McDonald, A. A.....	43	April 3, 1899
Follett, Albert.....	44	January 12, 1899
Liggitt, R. L.....	44	May 18, 1899
Mullen, Loudon.....	46	January 28, 1899
Martin, Wm. T.....	46	June 5, 1899
Schmidt, John W.....	47	September 20, 1898
Edmonds, R. R.....	48	January 17, 1899
Cain, William J.....	51	November 2, 1898
Jones, David L.....	51	April 7, 1899
Krusen, N. J.....	55	September 21, 1898
Murphy, A. Patrick.....	56	January 27, 1899
Barnes, J. E.....	57	December 2, 1898
Freeman, W. H.....	57	August 29, 1899
Muir, John W.....	60	June 18, 1899
Garton, William.....	61	August 1, 1899
Pollock, James C.....	62	February 17, 1899
Owens, J. W.....	63	June 11, 1899
Gehr, Paul.....	63	August 28, 1899
Foxworthy, Alexander.....	64	October 9, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Fields, James A.....	64	June 26, 1899
Monroe, Marcellus.....	65	January 24, 1899
Milliken, Robert.....	66	October 1, 1898
Dillon, Michael.....	68	January 15, 1899
Cope, Samuel L.....	69	January 6, 1899
Archibald, George H.....	74	November 12, 1898
Burke, John T.....	75	June 23, 1899
Clark, William P.....	75	June 26, 1899
Frascur, Samuel D.....	79	October 22, 1898
Gathe, C. E.....	81	June 16, 1899
West, A. B.....	81	January 2, 1899
Donaldson, W. Roy.....	84	October 27, 1898
Lee, Edmund B.....	84	January 5, 1899
Hilton, Charles T.....	84	January 19, 1899
Salzer, Joseph.....	84	February 7, 1899
Jones, George A.....	84	February 17, 1899
Field, James S.....	84	April 28, 1899
Elliott, Victor A.....	87	February 5, 1899
Mackie, John W.....	87	July 22, 1899
Thompson, Frank A.....	87	April 23, 1899
Pfeiffer, Charles.....	88	February 13, 1899
Henkins, Elija W.....	90	October 26, 1898
Fox, Pleasant W.....	92	February 21, 1899
Jenkins, Clinton L.....	92	March 20, 1899
Saxton, Arthur W.....	92	May 21, 1899
Elliott, M. M.....	93	September 19, 1898
Wilson, Ben. M.....	96	May 20, 1899
Castle, William.....	96	January 8, 1899
Coin, John R.....	96	April 9, 1899
Keith, Charles A.....	96	August 29, 1899

REINSTATED.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Benjamin, John E.	1	April 3, 1899
Cook, Mariner	1	December 19, 1898
Haas, George W.	5	October 1, 1898
Gooch, James A.	5	December 3, 1898
Priess, Charles	5	December 3, 1898
Stites, John H.	5	January 7, 1899
Smith, Norman W.	5	February 4, 1899
Raeburn, Robert	5	March 18, 1899
Tomlinson, Alfred	5	May 20, 1899
Lawrence, Richard C.	5	June 3, 1899
Belford, James Frank	5	July 15, 1899
Sherman, Charles E.	6	June 28, 1899
Shaughnessy, James	7	September 24, 1898
Poland, Ezekiel	7	September 24, 1898
Greenlee, Robert C.	7	October 22, 1898
Burton, Alfred G.	7	November 26, 1898
Bishop, A. G.	11	February 9, 1899
Sherman, W. H.	11	February 23, 1899
Trothen, Christ	11	July 13, 1899
Fillius, Philip	12	May 27, 1899
Boyer, Samuel L.	13	November 11, 1898
Van Hoevenberg, D. M.	17	May 8, 1899
Young, John W.	19	February 15, 1899
Smith, James M.	19	July 5, 1899
Whittington, Wm. E.	19	October 5, 1898
Wilbur, Charles	28	June 6, 1899
Van Wagenen, Theo. F.	35	September 1, 1898
Frazer, William	35	December 1, 1898
Sale, Henry T.	35	February 2, 1899
Williams, J. P.	37	February 18, 1899
Townsend, Hosea	38	February 16, 1899
Nathan, Nat.	44	April 20, 1899
McClellan, W. H.	44	February 2, 1899
Burwell, Blair	46	September 1, 1898
Roberts, W. W.	46	July 6, 1899
Allison, J. A.	46	July 20, 1899
McBride, Morton	49	November 10, 1894
Brown, William	50	April 19, 1899
Burke, J. J.	53	June 22, 1899
Johnson, W. R.	55	March 2, 1899
Bishop, James H.	56	July 26, 1899
McElroy, John	58	April 25, 1899
Hilton, F. W.	61	December 5, 1898
Udell, George V.	61	February 6, 1899
Adams, Asa C.	63	December 6, 1894
Hunt, C. F.	69	April 4, 1899
Sloan, Robert	72	November 26, 1898
Craig, A. V.	78	
Garman, H. E.	78	
Huet, Charles	78	
Kearney, F. E.	78	
McMurtrie, Thomas A.	78	
Williamson, A. W.	78	
Millner, George T.	82	May 8, 1899
Hangs, Frank J.	87	July 5, 1899
Stowell, George	91	June 10, 1899
Crocker, David R.	92	December 12, 1898

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Eagleton, J. S.	1	October 3, 1898
Heatley, Ed. J.	1	January 16, 1899
Annis, Emmet B.	5	November 5, 1898
Hill, Frank B.	5	December 2, 1898
Priess, Charles	5	January 7, 1899
Curran, William H.	5	March 18, 1899
Raeburn, Robert	5	April 1, 1899
Willetts, George, Jr.	5	April 1, 1899
Morgan, Benj. F.	5	June 3, 1899
Lawrence, Richard C.	5	June 17, 1899
Newman, Alfred B.	5	July 1, 1899
Campbell, John	7	October 22, 1898
Piper, William B.	7	November 12, 1898
Craig, William B.	7	December 10, 1898
Thompson, William S.	7	December 10, 1898
Sechrist, Albert	7	January 14, 1899
Miller, Thomas H.	7	January 28, 1899
Lapp, John M.	7	January 28, 1899
Kohlman, L. X.	7	February 25, 1899
Way, Clarence	7	May 18, 1899
Stewart, Oscar D.	7	August 12, 1899
Miller, Daniel E.	7	August 12, 1899
Nelson, H. P.	11	January 26, 1899
Sherman, W. H.	11	March 9, 1899
Lowell, B. F.	11	May 25, 1899
Snetzer, Jacob	12	December 24, 1898
Tainter, F. O.	13	October 14, 1898
Stephenson, Percy	13	January 29, 1899
Redmond, Henry W.	15	October 1, 1898
Salmon, Elijah	15	December 17, 1898
Pattée, David C.	15	January 21, 1899
Grant, Angus A.	17	December 26, 1898
Bogart, E. S.	20	March 24, 1899
Singleton, Lawrence G.	20	February 10, 1899
Twombly, Hurd W.	20	December 9, 1898
Underwood, Nathan L.	20	February 10, 1899
Steeves, C. P.	22	December 3, 1898
Becor, F. P.	23	December 17, 1898
Mitchell, William	26	December 1, 1898
Morgan, Thomas	26	January 4, 1899
Sleicher, J. M.	27	November 5, 1898
Schulze, W. H.	27	April 15, 1899
Funk, Z. E.	28	January 18, 1899
Harbison, A. B.	28	July 11, 1899
Leighton, H. W.	28	February 7, 1899
Pollock, Alex.	28	December 20, 1898
Robinson, W. H.	28	August 1, 1899
Harry, Thomas A.	30	April 1, 1899
Grubb, Erastus P.	31	October 20, 1898
Thompson, Moses L.	31	July 20, 1899
Van Wagenen, Theo. F.	35	September 15, 1898
Dilla, J. M.	35	January 19, 1899
Beaudry, Fred. B.	35	February 2, 1899
Newman, Robert	35	May 4, 1899
Evans, A. Grant	35	August 17, 1899
Sampliner, A. R.	37	December 17, 1898
Nutter, C. P.	37	February 18, 1899
O'Neil, H. J.	37	March 4, 1899
Davis, A. B. C.	37	June 17, 1899
Williams, J. P.	37	March 4, 1899
Vorreiter, William	38	July 20, 1899
Roblee, Morgan A.	39	November 22, 1898
Steele, Frank D.	39	January 10, 1899
Preston, James A.	39	January 24, 1899
McLeod, James J.	39	April 11, 1899

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Sjolin, L.	42	July 4, 1899
Cox, J. Emit	44	January 14, 1899
Hayt, C. D.	44	January 14, 1899
Hamilton, L. L.	46	December 1, 1898
Whitehead, E. S.	46	December 1, 1898
Holbrook, O. F.	46	December 15, 1898
Cornforth, Arthur	46	January 19, 1899
McIntyre, Donald	46	February 16, 1899
Allison, J. A.	46	August 3, 1899
Kelker, W. B. Jr.	51	January 27, 1899
Angerman, Henry	51	May 12, 1899
Horton, John	55	August 6, 1899
Lower, J. J.	55	August 6, 1899
Nelson, Virgil E.	55	February 2, 1899
Baldwin, C. W.	55	January 7, 1899
Campbell, Kenneth	56	January 11, 1899
Gwynn, J. W.	57	January 28, 1899
Howland, Joseph	58	December 27, 1898
McElroy, John	58	May 9, 1899
Springer, W. A.	59	July 1, 1899
Cameron, Hugh T.	60	September 8, 1898
Roser, Henry H.	61	October 17, 1898
Myers, John H.	61	January 18, 1899
Udell, George V.	61	February 20, 1899
Robertson, W. B.	62	January 9, 1899
Anderson, E. H.	62	March 27, 1899
Thompson, Elmer T.	63	December 20, 1898
Adams, Asa C.	63	December 6, 1898
Baldwin, Frank L.	65	September 15, 1898
Price, James M.	65	April 6, 1899
Simpson, F. L.	67	December 16, 1898
Grafton, W. C.	68	January 6, 1899
Barker, Charles W.	68	January 6, 1899
Cryder, C. C.	68	January 6, 1899
Curtis, Fred. S.	68	January 20, 1899
Pultz, S. M.	68	February 3, 1899
Roos, Henry	68	April 21, 1899
Lynch, A. R.	69	October 4, 1898
Hunt, C. F.	69	May 2, 1899
Painter, J. K.	70	July 28, 1899
Sloan, Robert	72	July 15, 1899
Butterfield, H. A.	73	January 10, 1899
Hendricks, Joseph M.	75	April 6, 1899
Cooke, M. E.	77	April 1, 1899
Hood, A. F.	79	November 22, 1898
Hunt, E. W.	79	June 27, 1899
Ingersoll, F. W.	79	April 11, 1899
Gray, R. A.	79	April 27, 1899
Gibbs, D. C.	79	December 13, 1898
Daniel, George W.	84	January 19, 1899
Hill, Charles S.	84	January 19, 1899
Townsend, Willard H.	84	January 19, 1899
Aggers, George L.	84	March 2, 1899
Hazen, Norman L.	84	March 2, 1899
Atkinson, George W.	84	July 6, 1899
Davis, William C.	84	August 17, 1899
Edmundson, Elmer E.	86	December 16, 1898
Sabin, Wallace E.	86	January 20, 1899
Zell, J. Fred.	86	January 20, 1899
Kirk, J. Waldere	87	June 21, 1899
Mills, W. F. R.	87	November 16, 1898
Woll, Charles J.	87	February 1, 1899
Yarger, Elmer	87	July 5, 1899
Hartman, H. A.	89	June 27, 1899
Hopkins, J. G.	89	June 13, 1899

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NAME	LODGE	DATE
Paige, Thomas	91	January 14, 1899
Gunn, J. Wallace	92	November 14, 1898
Smith, L. N.	93	June 20, 1899
Root, M. R.	93	June 20, 1899
Morton, J. P.	94	February 4, 1899
McArthur, Marshall P.	94	March 18, 1899
Grimes, C. Y.	96	April 6, 1899
Foster, W. J.	97	May 17, 1899
Burlingame, Charles H.	98	February 15, 1899
Huff, Luther	98	August 16, 1899
Harpst, Elias F.	102	August 19, 1899
Gemprecht, C. M.	103	August 12, 1899
Kinney, C. N.	103	August 26, 1899
Wymore, James	104	January 18, 1899

SUSPENDED.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Burke, Thomas F.	5	July 1, 1899
Davy, John P.	5	July 1, 1899
Duthie, Alex.	5	July 1, 1899
Link, Edward B.	5	July 1, 1899
Morris, William S.	5	July 1, 1899
May, Charles D.	5	July 1, 1899
Mower, Eug. T.	5	July 1, 1899
Smith, George E.	5	July 1, 1899
Tracy, Michael	5	July 1, 1899
Becker, Clayton F.	6	July 26, 1899
Pochin, Joseph L.	7	August 26, 1899
Norris, George C.	7	August 26, 1899
Bockfinger, Phil. L.	7	August 26, 1899
Hurd, Nathan S.	7	August 26, 1899
Chandler, Russell	7	August 26, 1899
Morgan, James	7	August 26, 1899
Beckhart, William E.	7	August 26, 1899
Bond, William	7	August 26, 1899
Conant, Eugene F.	7	August 26, 1899
Sykes, Fred. W.	7	August 26, 1899
Dailey, James M.	12	May 18, 1899
Fairley, Thomas	12	May 18, 1899
Mills, George A.	12	May 18, 1899
Simmons, Theo. F.	12	May 18, 1899
Slockett, Henry	12	May 18, 1899
Ware, William W.	12	May 18, 1899
McGuire, W. C.	13	August 25, 1899
Beach, W. P.	13	August 25, 1899
Bramlett, R. C.	13	August 25, 1899
DeCoursey, M. L.	13	August 25, 1899
Gearhardt, Paul	13	August 25, 1899
Armstrong, Richard	20	March 24, 1899
Merrifield, Harrison	20	March 24, 1899
Pritchard, Robert W.	20	April 28, 1899
Baty, William C.	31	August 17, 1899
McGinley, S. D.	31	August 17, 1899
May, John M.	34	
Barnham, John L.	37	April 15, 1899
Loring C. N.	37	April 15, 1899
Nichols, C. M.	37	April 15, 1899
May, Clarence	37	April 15, 1899
Murray, John A.	37	April 15, 1899
Miller, S. W.	37	April 15, 1899
McFarlane, Ed.	37	April 15, 1899
Watson, S. S.	37	April 15, 1899
Bremer, Hy.	41	January 18, 1899
Fehse, Friederick	41	March 24, 1899
Fehse, Edmund	41	March 24, 1899
Ewing, John W.	42	February 21, 1899
Adrain, Carl A.	42	June 20, 1899
Jennison, Truman	42	June 20, 1899
Recen, Henry A.	42	August 15, 1899
Buell, V. A.	45	August 9, 1899
Edwards, J. C.	45	August 9, 1899
Ferguson, E. G.	45	August 9, 1899
Harris, William	45	August 9, 1899
Hansbrough, O. C.	45	August 9, 1899
Kline, Frank	45	August 9, 1899
Moore, Thomas M.	45	August 9, 1899
Newton, Dawson	45	August 9, 1899
Sternberg, Jay	45	August 9, 1899
Tyler, Fred.	45	August 9, 1899
Tilton, C. H.	45	August 9, 1899
Thompson, H. E.	45	August 9, 1899
Schmelling, Rob.	47	June 3, 1899

SUSPENDED—CONTINUED.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Williams, J. W.	47	June 8, 1899
Staley, W. W.	51	June 23, 1899
Smith, F. S.	53	March 9, 1899
Pyle, W. P.	58	March 28, 1899
Killian, J. B.	63	October 4, 1898
Chapman, F. A.	63	October 4, 1898
Manley, J. F.	63	October 4, 1898
Hall, C. W.	63	October 4, 1899
Smith, J. C.	67	August 18, 1899
Jones, Beal H.	68	May 19, 1899
Hunt, C. F.	69	September 6, 1898
Armstrong, T. J.	73	August 8, 1899
Dailey, Charles	73	August 8, 1899
Brown, J. J.	75	May 4, 1899
Gray, A. J.	75	May 4, 1899
Cook, Wilburt	75	May 4, 1899
Higgins, M.	77	October 1, 1898
Anderson, Chris.	79	August 16, 1899
Derby, W. H.	79	August 16, 1899
Higgins, Edward	79	August 16, 1899
Lewis, F. R.	79	August 16, 1899
Thompson, Julius	79	August 16, 1899
Mootz, S.	80	December 10, 1898
Tovey, R.	80	August 26, 1899
Wickliffe, Price	82	April 26, 1899
Archer, George W.	87	August 16, 1899
Armstrong, E. H.	87	August 16, 1899
Coe, Fred. E.	87	August 16, 1899
Lamey, H. T.	87	August 16, 1899
Marean, W. A.	87	August 16, 1899
May, W. T. S.	87	August 16, 1899
Lynch, Aloysius	92	August 21, 1899
Schumaker, H. C.	98	December 6, 1898
Elrod, I. S.	98	June 20, 1899
Burns, Robert	95	October 13, 1898
Allman, W. H.	95	December 8, 1898

EXPELLED.

NAME	LODGE	DATE
Hall, Albert T.	13	November 11, 1898
*Lynch, Aloysius	*	August 21, 1899
Wilson, Charles F.	94	August 5, 1899

* By Grand Lodge September 20, 1899. Suspended by No. 92 August 21, 1899.

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LODGE	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Died	Dimitted	Suspended	Expelled	Exempt	Members 1898	Members 1899	WORSHIPFUL MASTER	SECRETARY
Golden City	1	8	5	5	2	2	4	2	---	---	17	65	70	Joseph Dennis, Jr.	Geo. K. Kimball
Nevada	4	15	9	12	9	9	8	9	---	---	9	48	47	Isaac M. Parsons	John H. Nankervis
Denver	5	15	9	13	9	9	8	9	---	---	14	580	534	Frank N. Bishop	Geo. C. Johnson
Central	6	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	---	---	94	70	72	Robert N. Lewis	Samuel I. Loran
Union	7	4	3	3	14	3	3	11	10	---	34	508	506	Henry P. Forsyth	Henry W. Hannum
Black Hawk	11	4	4	4	---	3	3	6	---	---	8	50	54	E. L. Grentell	Fred. A. Rudolph
Washington	12	---	---	---	---	1	2	1	6	---	9	65	57	John H. Bennett	Henry H. Nash
El Paso	13	15	11	11	9	1	3	2	5	1	47	289	299	Thos. E. Manning	Eugene S. Cohen
Columbia	14	6	3	3	1	---	6	3	---	---	29	212	210	J. A. Davis	C. C. Bromley
Mount Moriah	15	4	3	2	4	---	2	3	---	---	29	162	163	Arthur R. Frisbie	Henry L. Price
Pueblo	17	16	16	10	7	1	4	1	---	---	16	137	150	Will D. Grisard	A. D. Davidson
Collins	19	8	8	4	3	3	6	4	---	---	23	169	173	T. A. Gage	J. E. Davidson
Occidental	20	13	11	11	4	---	8	4	3	---	10	126	131	Wm. H. Thompson	Sharon Atkinson
Western	22	1	1	1	---	---	2	1	---	---	24	114	129	Rudolph A. Candler	A. J. Kuhlavy
St. Vrain	23	8	8	8	10	---	1	1	---	---	10	55	55	C. F. Bartell	E. F. Backwith
Dorito	25	1	1	1	---	---	1	2	---	---	10	68	74	Joseph Cohen	J. W. Sykes
Idaho Springs	26	3	4	6	8	---	1	2	---	---	8	68	62	G. E. Armstrong	J. Lee Heer
Huerfano	27	6	5	8	2	---	4	5	---	---	19	123	133	Henry Snedden	James Hill
Las Animas	28	14	12	9	8	1	4	2	---	---	42	42	48	Wm. Crofoot	T. B. Collier
King Solomon	30	5	8	6	2	---	1	1	---	---	15	179	188	F. E. Rockwell	Oscar P. Smith
South Pueblo	31	11	10	11	2	---	1	2	---	---	8	52	52	J. R. McKee	Wm. Peach
Olive Branch	32	3	3	1	1	---	1	1	---	---	5	88	91	Richard Jenkins	Les Fairbanks
San Juan	33	7	8	8	---	---	3	---	---	---	2	38	37	Robert McKee	W. M. Montgomery
Crystal Lake	34	1	1	1	---	---	2	5	---	---	15	137	138	Wm. T. McGilliard	Parl B. Gates
Ionic	35	4	6	5	3	---	2	5	---	---	14	14	14	L. Q. Hobbs	L. G. Matthews
Rosita	36	---	---	---	---	---	1	5	8	---	8	108	105	Chas. A. Sperber	Chas. A. Sperber
Omaya	37	6	6	6	4	1	1	1	---	---	27	71	71	W. E. Bruce	John A. Feist
Silver Cliff	38	---	---	---	---	---	1	1	---	---	4	63	56	John A. Steele	John A. Steele
Gunnison	39	---	---	---	---	---	1	4	---	---	7	63	63	Frank Kratzer	Ferd. Rinne
Schiller	41	2	1	1	---	---	4	3	---	---	2	33	33	N. P. Anderson	Watson C. Tucker
Corinthian	42	2	1	1	---	---	1	1	---	---	2	30	33	---	---

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LODGE	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Died	Dimitted	Suspended	Expelled	Exempt	Members 1898	Members 1899	Worshipful Master	Secretary
Eagle	43	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	3	3	26	27	James Collins	P. Tague
Alamosa	44	3	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	7	7	52	52	Geo. Booth	Wm. H. Hirst
Boulder	45	6	2	2	2	1	2	6	12	5	5	99	90	Wm. B. Bellman	W. S. Bellman
Durango	46	3	4	4	2	2	2	6	12	138	139	44	41	C. A. Pike	J. F. Hechtman
Breckenridge	47	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	5	5	33	34	Peter J. Lundby	B. A. Arbogast
Georgetown	48	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	11	7	7	59	66	Henry Seifried	C. L. Hoon
Mt. Princeton	49	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	4	41	41	106	106	J. T. Wills	H. C. McLean
Garfield	50	1	1	1	3	2	2	2	1	8	8	107	107	John L. Wright	Wm. Nicholson
Leadville	51	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	7	68	73	133	133	John S. Peterson	H. W. Woodward
Loveland	52	10	8	7	3	1	1	4	7	127	133	112	112	Leslie J. Perout	Geo. L. Dennis
Sterling	53	17	17	15	8	1	1	1	7	90	91	127	127	Wm. T. Hammond	W. W. Foster
Mesa	54	6	7	7	2	1	2	1	3	85	81	47	49	Wm. T. March	Guy Bedwell
Telluride	55	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	27	27	140	150	Geo. W. McGovern	John L. Haines
Salida	56	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	58	58	G. A. Montgomery	D. H. Williams
Crested Butte	57	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	40	41	John Arnot	Oliver Beman
La Veta	58	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	140	150	Joseph R. Johns	L. T. Tencher
Spar	59	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	5	5	55	55	C. D. Titus	Walter Wilson
Harmony	60	11	10	9	3	2	1	2	4	6	6	79	85	Henry Hammond	M. J. Johnston
Delta	61	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	83	90	A. Johnson	F. D. Catlin
Montrose	62	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	83	90	J. G. Talliaferro	R. A. Steen
Enclid	63	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	56	59	59	59	David W. Rees	M. H. Dean
Glenwood	64	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	45	44	45	44	D. R. Jenkins	Henry John
Eureka	65	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	49	52	52	52	James H. Jones	J. F. Arbuckle
Oasis	66	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	21	20	21	20	Walter D. Sawin	Ernst M. Lotz
Manitou	67	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	49	49	G. H. Frye	E. U. Minckwitz
Windsor	68	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	9	9	35	36	J. Brant	G. F. Crosby
Logan	69	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	12	12	C. E. Ware	J. N. Counter
Wray	70	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	47	47	J. S. McClung	C. L. McPherson
Graceland	71	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	4	4	43	43	Geo. S. Warburton	C. R. VonEgdy
Monte Vista	72	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	43	43	John S. Howe	C. F. Middlecoff
Akron	73	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	42		

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LODGE	MEMBERSHIP										Worshipful Master	Secretary
	Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Reinstated	Died	Dimitted	Suspended	Expelled	Members 1898	Members 1899
St. Johns	75	6	8	3	2	2	1	3	—	10	67	T. F. Godding
Colorado City	76	8	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	9	72	L. A. Withernitz
Burlington	77	6	1	2	3	—	1	1	—	9	20	D. H. Jones
Brighton	78	2	3	2	3	6	—	—	—	6	40	F. E. Silatrop
Rico	79	5	5	3	6	—	1	5	—	6	67	James T. Carnahan
Rio Blanco	80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	29	F. N. Jo Hantgen
Holyoke	81	1	1	1	2	—	2	—	—	2	35	A. B. Flemming
Carbondale	82	2	2	—	—	1	2	—	—	2	37	J. W. Campbell
Berthoud	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	39	F. Irving Davis
Temple	84	11	7	6	5	6	7	—	—	10	176	George Stidger
Highlands	86	14	14	13	7	—	3	4	6	10	108	Harry Petrie
Oriental	87	5	6	6	10	1	1	—	—	5	133	John L. Dixon
Yampa	88	5	4	4	1	—	1	—	—	1	31	E. B. Darvall
Trinidad	89	5	5	6	3	—	—	2	—	—	94	J. J. Abarcrombie
Lamar	90	2	2	4	—	—	1	—	—	2	54	H. W. Wolfe
Lafayette	91	6	4	5	—	1	—	1	—	2	59	H. E. Bocker
Rob Morris	92	13	11	11	2	1	3	1	1	3	33	Albert L. Stack
South Denver	93	7	7	8	—	1	2	2	—	9	73	John C. Graham
Amelbyset	94	5	7	7	4	—	2	—	—	3	51	Abraham V. Taborn
Silver State	95	9	10	12	4	4	1	2	1	2	93	James R. Strugnell
Mt. Pisgah	96	13	11	12	16	3	—	—	—	6	106	J. Knox Burton
Fremont	97	13	13	13	4	—	1	—	—	3	123	Moses E. Lewis
Hiram	98	2	5	6	3	—	2	—	—	6	87	D. P. Silverling
Victor	99	—	—	14	7	7	—	—	—	2	81	Harry Hendrie
Mancos	100	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	114	H. V. Ausburn
Plateau	101	2	3	3	2	2	—	—	—	2	22	George W. Masters
Mt. Lamborn	102	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	34	John G. Wilbur
Vulcan	103	3	3	3	—	—	2	—	—	3	18	W. M. Asher
Tejon	104	2	5	3	1	—	1	—	—	3	28	W. W. Williamson
Terrian	105	5	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	41	John G. Huntington
Egeria	UD	16	13	13	9*	—	—	—	—	—	46	Wm. J. Breckel
Audubon	UD	4	3	3	8*	—	—	—	—	—	21	R. B. Gibbon
											17	W. T. McGinnis

* Charter members on limits.

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RECAPITULATION.

Number chartered previous to this session.....	104	Passed	415
Number vacant	13	Raised	422
Number at work	91	Admitted	271
Number making returns	91	Reinstated	57
Number represented	89	Died	118
Number chartered this session	3	Dimitted	144
Total number chartered	107	Suspended	101
Under Dispensation	2	Expelled	3
Initiated	451	Present membership	7974
		Net gain	369

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES.

LODGE	No.	Post-Office	COUNTY
Abdallah.....	(U. D.)	Eaton.....	Weld.
Akron.....	74	Akron.....	Washington.
Alamosa.....	44	Alamosa.....	Conejos.
Amethyst.....	94	Amethyst.....	Mineral.
Berthoud.....	88	Berthoud.....	Larimer.
Black Hawk.....	11	Black Hawk.....	Gilpin.
Boulder.....	45	Boulder.....	Boulder.
Breckenridge.....	47	Breckenridge.....	Summit.
Brighton.....	78	Brighton.....	Arapahoe.
Burlington.....	77	Burlington.....	Kit Carson.
Carbondale.....	82	Carbondale.....	Garfield.
Central.....	6	Central City.....	Gilpin.
Collins.....	19	Fort Collins.....	Larimer.
Colorado City.....	76	Colorado City.....	El Paso.
Columbia.....	14	Boulder.....	Boulder.
Corinthian.....	42	Kokomo.....	Summit.
Crested Butte.....	58	Crested Butte.....	Gunnison.
Crystal Lake.....	34	Lake City.....	Hinsdale.
Del Norte.....	105	Del Norte.....	Rio Grande.
Delta.....	62	Delta.....	Delta.
Denver.....	5	Denver.....	Arapahoe.
Doric.....	25	Fairplay.....	Park.
Durango.....	46	Durango.....	La Plata.
Eagle.....	43	Red Cliff.....	Eagle.
Egeria.....	106	Yampa.....	Routt.
El Paso.....	13	Colorado Springs.....	El Paso.
Euclid.....	64	La Junta.....	Otero.
Eureka.....	66	Coal Creek.....	Fremont.
Fremont.....	97	Florence.....	Fremont.
Garfield.....	50	Erie.....	Weld.
Georgetown.....	48	Georgetown.....	Clear Creek.
Glenwood.....	65	Glenwood Springs.....	Garfield.
Golden City.....	1	Golden.....	Jefferson.
Goldfield.....	(U. D.)	Goldfield.....	Teller.
Granada.....	72	Granada.....	Prowers.
Gunnison.....	59	Gunnison.....	Gunnison.
Harmony.....	61	Denver.....	Arapahoe.
Highlands.....	86	Denver.....	Arapahoe.
Hiram.....	98	Aspen.....	Pitkin.
Holyoke.....	81	Holyoke.....	Phillips.
Huerfano.....	27	Walsenburg.....	Huerfano.
Idaho Springs.....	26	Idaho Springs.....	Clear Creek.
Ionic.....	35	Leadville.....	Lake.
King Solomon.....	30	Las Animas.....	Bent.
Lafayette.....	91	Lafayette.....	Boulder.
Lamar.....	90	Lamar.....	Prowers.
Las Animas.....	28	Trinidad.....	Las Animas.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF LODGES.—CONCLUDED.

LODGE	No.	POST-OFFICE	COUNTY
La Veta	59	La Veta	Huerfano.
Leadville	51	Leadville	Lake.
Logan	70	Julesburg	Sedgwick.
Loveland	58	Loveland	Larimer.
Mancos	100	Mancos	Montezuma.
Manitou	68	Manitou	El Paso.
Mesa	55	Grand Junction	Mesa.
Monte Vista	73	Monte Vista	Rio Grande.
Montrose	63	Montrose	Montrose.
Mount Audubon	107	Ward	Boulder.
Mount Lamborn	102	Hotchkiss	Delta.
Mount Moriah	15	Canon City	Fremont.
Mount Pisgah	76	Cripple Creek	El Paso.
Mount Princeton	49	Buena Vista	Chaffee.
Nevada	4	Bald Mountain	Gilpin.
Oasis	67	Fort Morgan	Morgan.
Occidental	20	Greeley	Weld.
Olive Branch	32	Saguache	Saguache.
Oriental	87	Denver	Arapahoe.
Ouray	37	Ouray	Ouray.
Plateau	101	Mesa	Mesa.
Pueblo	17	Pueblo	Pueblo.
Rico	79	Rico	Dolores.
Rio Blanco	80	Meeker	Rio Blanco.
Rob Morris	92	Denver	Arapahoe.
Rosita	36	Rosita	Custer.
St. John's	75	Rocky Ford	Otero.
St. Vrain	23	Longmont	Boulder.
Salida	57	Salida	Chaffee.
San Juan	33	Silverton	San Juan.
Schiller	41	Denver	Arapahoe.
Silver Cliff	38	Silver Cliff	Custer.
Silver State	95	Pueblo	Pueblo.
South Denver	93	Denver	Arapahoe.
South Pueblo	31	Pueblo	Pueblo.
Spar	60	Aspen	Pitkin.
Sterling	54	Sterling	Logan.
Tejon	104	Colorado Springs	El Paso.
Temple	84	Denver	Arapahoe.
Telluride	56	Telluride	San Miguel.
Trinidad	89	Trinidad	Las Animas.
Union	7	Denver	Arapahoe.
Victor	99	Victor	El Paso.
Vulcan	103	Hooper	Costilla.
Washington	12	Georgetown	Clear Creek.
Weston	22	Littleton	Arapahoe.
Windsor	69	New Windsor	Weld.
Wray	71	Wray	Yuma.
Yampa	88	Craig	Routt.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF POST-OFFICES.

POST-OFFICE	LODGE No.	POST-OFFICE	LODGE No.
Akron	74	Holyoke	81
Alamosa	44	Hooper	103
Amethyst	94	Hotchkiss	102
Aspen	60-98	Idaho Springs	26
Bald Mountain	4	Julesburg	70
Berthoud	88	Kokomo	42
Blackhawk	11	Lafayette	91
Boulder	14-45	La Junta	64
Breckenridge	47	Lake City	84
Brighton	78	Lamar	90
Buena Vista	49	Las Animas	80
Burlington	77	La Veta	59
Canon City	15	Leadville	35-51
Carbondale	82	Littleton	22
Central City	6	Longmont	23
Coal Creek	66	Loveland	53
Colorado City	76	Mancos	100
Colorado Springs	13-104	Manitou	68
Craig	88	Meeker	80
Crested Butte	58	Mesa	101
Cripple Creek	96	Monte Vista	73
Delta	62	Montrose	63
Del Norte	105	New Windsor	69
Denver	5-7-41	Ouray	37
	61-84-86	Pueblo	17-31-95
	87-92-93	Red Cliff	43
Durango	46	Rico	79
Eaton	(U. D.)	Rocky Ford	75
Erie	50	Rosita	36
Fairplay	25	Saguache	32
Florence	97	Salida	57
Fort Collins	19	Silver Cliff	38
Fort Morgan	67	Silverton	33
Georgetown	12-48	Sterling	54
Glenwood Springs	65	Telluride	56
Golden	1	Trinidad	28-89
Goldfield	(U. D.)	Victor	99
Granada	72	Walsenburg	27
Grand Junction	53	Ward	107
Greeley	20	Wray	71
Gunnison	39	Yampa	106

STATISTICAL TABLE
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Golden City	1	Golden	February 18, 1860	October 17, 1860	First and Third Mondays
Summit	2	Parkville		June 5, 1861	Extinct
Rocky Mountain	3	Gold Hill		June 5, 1861	Extinct
Nevada	4	Raid Mountain	December 22, 1860	December 11, 1861	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Denver	5	Denver	October 24, 1861	December 11, 1861	First and Third Saturdays
Central	6	Central City	September 30, 1861	December 11, 1861	Second and Fourth Wednesdays
Montana		Central City	April 6, 1863	Not Chartered	
Union	7	Denver		November 8, 1868	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Empire	8	Empire	November 28, 1864	November 6, 1865	Charter surrendered
Montana	9	Virginia City, Mon.	April 20, 1865	November 7, 1865	Now No. 3, Montana
Helena City	10	Helena City, Mon.	July 19, 1865	November 7, 1865	Now No. 3, Montana
Black Hawk	11	Black Hawk	February 15, 1866	October 1, 1866	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Washington	12	Georgetown		October 7, 1867	Second and Fourth Thursdays
El Paso	13	Colorado Springs	January 27, 1866	October 8, 1867	Second and Fourth Fridays
Columbia	14	Boulder	December 11, 1867	October 8, 1867	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Mount Moriah	15	Canon City	January 15, 1868	October 6, 1868	First and Third Saturdays
Valmont		Valmont		Not Chartered	
Wyoming	16	Cheyenne, Wyo.	February 22, 1868	October 6, 1868	Now No. 1, Wyoming
Germania		Denver	February 22, 1868	Not Chartered	
Pueblo	17	Pueblo	April 5, 1868	October 6, 1868	Second and Fourth Mondays
Laramie	18	Laramie, Wyo.	January 31, 1870	September 28, 1870	Now No. 2, Wyoming
Collins	19	Fort Collins	May 5, 1870	September 28, 1870	First and Third Wednesdays
Occidental	20	Greasely	November 29, 1870	September 28, 1871	Second and Fourth Fridays
Argenta	21	Salt Lake City		September 28, 1871	Now No. 3, Utah
Western	22	Littleton	April 8, 1871	September 24, 1872	First and Third Saturdays
St. Vrain	23	Longmont	March 1, 1872	September 24, 1872	First and Third Saturdays
Ashlar		Colorado Springs	June 22, 1872	September 24, 1872	First and Third Saturdays
Evanson	24	Evanson, Wyo.	September 27, 1872	Not Chartered	Now No. 4, Wyoming
Dorio	25	Fairplay	September 8, 1873	September 30, 1874	First and Third Wednesdays
Idaho Springs	26	Idaho Springs	January 13, 1874	September 21, 1875	First and Third Wednesdays
Huerfano	27	Walsenburg	July 16, 1874	September 21, 1875	First and Third Tuesdays
Las Animas	28	Trinidad	August 25, 1874	September 21, 1875	First and Third Tuesdays
Del Norte	29	Del Norte	March 17, 1875	September 20, 1876	Charter revoked
King Solomon	30	Las Animas	September 24, 1875	September 20, 1876	First and Third Saturdays

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SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	NO.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
South Pueblo	31	Pueblo	March 17, 1876	September 20, 1876	First and Third Thursdays
Olive Branch	32	Saguache	April 29, 1876	Not Chartered	Saturday, on or before full moon
San Juan	33	Silverton	July 30, 1877	Not Used	First and Third Saturdays
Crystal Lake	34	Lake City	September 19, 1878	September 18, 1878	Second Tuesday
Ionic	35	Leadville	February 13, 1878	September 26, 1878	First and Third Thursdays
Rosita	36	Rosita	March 8, 1879	October 26, 1879	First and Third Thursdays
Ouray	37	Ouray	April 18, 1879	September 17, 1879	First and Third Thursdays
Silver Cliff	38	Silver Cliff	May 1, 1880	September 22, 1880	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Gunnison	39	Gunnison	January 1, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Pitkin	40	Pitkin	February 10, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Schiller	41	Denver	February 15, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Corinthian	42	Kokomo	April 16, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Eagle	43	Red Cliff	April 20, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Alamosa	44	Alamosa	May 14, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Boulder	45	Boulder	June 23, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Durango	46	Durango	July 2, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Breckenridge	47	Breckenridge	August 27, 1881	September 21, 1881	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Georgetown	48	Georgetown	September 28, 1881	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Mount Princeton	49	Buena Vista	January 2, 1882	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Carfield	50	Erie	January 2, 1882	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Leadville	51	Leadville	March 22, 1882	September 20, 1882	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Tin Cup	52	Tin Cup	August 18, 1882	September 18, 1883	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Loveland	53	Loveland	April 17, 1883	September 18, 1883	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Sterling	54	Sterling	May 26, 1883	September 18, 1883	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Mesa	55	Grand Junction	June 18, 1883	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Telluride	56	Telluride	August 19, 1882	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Salida	57	Salida	November 5, 1883	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Crested Butte	58	Crested Butte	November 26, 1883	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
La Veta	59	La Veta	March 25, 1884	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Spar	60	Apen	February 7, 1884	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Harmony	61	Denver	June 6, 1884	September 17, 1884	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Delta	62	Delta	September 23, 1884	September 16, 1885	Second and Fourth Thursdays

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SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Montrose	63	Montrose	March 4, 1885	September 16, 1885	First and Third Tuesdays
Euclid	64	La Junta	May 6, 1885	September 16, 1885	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Glenwood	65	Glenwood Springs	December 25, 1886	September 21, 1887	First and Third Thursdays
Enreka	66	Coal Creek	January 27, 1887	September 21, 1887	First and Third Fridays
Osaka	67	Fort Morgan	April 25, 1887	September 21, 1887	First and Third Fridays
Manitou	68	Manitou	June 23, 1887	September 21, 1887	First and Third Fridays
Windsor	69	New Windsor	June 23, 1887	September 21, 1887	First and Third Tuesdays
Logan	70	Julesburg	June 17, 1888	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Fridays
Wray	71	Wray	May 28, 1888	September 18, 1888	First and Third Wednesdays
Granada	72	Granada	July 18, 1888	September 18, 1888	Saturday, on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter
Monte Vista	73	Monte Vista	July 21, 1888	September 18, 1888	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Akron	74	Akron	November 16, 1888	September 18, 1889	First Wednesday
St. Johns	75	Rocky Ford	February 18, 1889	September 18, 1889	First and Third Thursdays
Colorado City	76	Colorado City	May 10, 1889	September 18, 1889	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Burlington	77	Burlington	May 10, 1889	September 18, 1889	First and Third Thursdays
Brighton	78	Brighton	December 26, 1888	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Rico	79	Rico	October 1, 1889	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Rio Blanco	80	Meeker	March 18, 1890	September 16, 1890	First and Third Saturdays
Holyoke	81	Holyoke	April 10, 1890	September 16, 1890	First and Third Wednesdays
Carbondale	82	Carbondale	May 6, 1890	September 16, 1890	Second and Fourth Thursdays
Berthoud	83	Berthoud	May 7, 1890	September 16, 1890	First and Third Thursdays
Temple	84	Denver	July 25, 1890	September 16, 1891	First and Third Thursdays
Ancina	85	Colorado Springs	August 15, 1890	September 15, 1891	 Charter revoked
Highlands	86	Denver	November 15, 1891	September 15, 1891	First and Third Fridays
Oriental	87	Denver	June 15, 1891	September 15, 1891	First and Third Mondays
Yampa	88	Craig	March 3, 1891	September 16, 1891	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Trinidad	89	Trinidad	May 4, 1891	September 20, 1892	First and Third Saturdays
Lamar	90	Lamar	February 22, 1892	September 20, 1892	Second and Fourth Tuesdays
Lafayette	91	Lafayette	February 23, 1892	September 20, 1893	Second and Fourth Mondays
Rob Morris	92	Denver	October 8, 1892	September 20, 1893	First and Third Tuesdays
South Denver	93	Denver	February 9, 1893	September 20, 1893	First and Third Tuesdays
Amethyst	94	Amethyst	March 14, 1893	September 20, 1893	First and Third Saturdays
Silver State	95	Pueblo	April 12, 1893	September 20, 1893	Second and Fourth Thursdays

STATISTICAL TABLE—CONCLUDED.
SHOWING DATES OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

NAME	No.	POSTOFFICE	DISPENSATION	CHARTER	COMMUNICATIONS
Mount Pisgah	96	Cripple Creek	July 3, 1893	September 20, 1898	Every Thursday
Fremont	97	Florence	March 27, 1894	September 19, 1894	First and Third Wednesdays
Hiram	98	Aspen	December 29, 1895	September 17, 1895	First and Third Wednesdays
Victor	99	Victor	August 2, 1895	September 17, 1895	Every Tuesday
Mancos	100	Mancos	July 3, 1895	September 16, 1896	First and Third Tuesdays
Plateau	101	Mesa	March 10, 1896	September 16, 1896	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Mount Lamborn	102	Hotchkiss	October 14, 1896	September 22, 1897	First and Third Saturdays
Vulcan	103	Hooper	June 5, 1897	September 22, 1897	Second and Fourth Saturdays
Teton	104	Colorado Springs	December 10, 1897	September 21, 1898	First and Third Wednesdays
Del Norte	105	Del Norte	May 28, 1898	September 20, 1899	First and Third Mondays
Egeria	106	Yampa	January 31, 1899	September 20, 1899	Second and Fourth Mondays
Mount Anubon	107	Ward	August 8, 1899	September 20, 1899	First and Third Saturdays
Goldfield	U. D.	Goldfield			Every Friday
Abdallah	U. D.	Eaton	August 21, 1899		

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO, AUGUST 2, A. L. 5981.

WHEN	WHERE HELD	GRAND MASTERS	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS	GRAND TREASURERS	GRAND SECRETARIES
1861, Aug.	Golden	*Livingston, J. M.	*Robbins, Sam N.	*Ewing, James	*Holt, J. M.	*Carter, Eli	Whittemore, O. A.
1861, Dec.	Denver	*Westington, J. M.	*Mason, Andrew	*Ploutz, Paris S.	*White, Marcus C.	*Brown, O. B.	Whittemore, O. A.
1862, Nov.	Central	*Westington, J. M.	*White, Marcus C.	*VanDeren, John M.	*Sopris, Richard	*Brown, O. B.	Whittemore, O. A.
1863, Nov.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*VanDeren, Arch J.	*Brown, Olph't B.	*Gest, Joshua H.	*Frary, L. W.	Whittemore, O. A.
1864, Nov.	Central	*VanDeren, Arch J.	*Brown, Olph't B.	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Withrow, Chase	*Chase, L. W.	Whittemore, O. A.
1865, Oct.	Central	*Mason, Andrew	*Brown, Olph't B.	*Withrow, Chase	*White, James T.	*Sopris, Richard	Whittemore, O. A.
1866, Oct.	Central	*Withrow, Chase	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Jones, Aaron M.	*Greenleaf, L. N.	*Sopris, Richard	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1867, Oct.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Whittemore, O. A.	*Jones, Aaron M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Sopris, Richard	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1868, Oct.	Central	*Teller, Henry M.	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Wisehart, Benj. W.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Sopris, Richard	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1869, Sept.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Hart, Cornelius J.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Sayr, Hal	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1870, Sept.	Central	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1871, Sept.	Denver	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1872, Sept.	Central	*Teller, Henry M.	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1873, Sept.	Denver	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1874, Sept.	Denver	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1875, Sept.	Denver	*Anthony, W. D.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Stone, Edmund T.	*Henry, Oren H.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1876, Sept.	Denver	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Orahood, Harper M.	*Childs, Francis L.	*Kirby, Marcellus C.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1877, Sept.	Denver	*Hart, Cornelius J.	*Childs, Francis L.	*Woodbury, E. W.	*Crowell, Benj. F.	*Ware, William W.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1878, Sept.	Denver	*Woodbury, R. W.	*Carr, Byron L.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Bigler, J. A. J.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1879, Sept.	Denver	*Greenleaf, L. N.	*Carr, Byron L.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1880, Sept.	Denver	*Greenleaf, Law N.	*Quillian, Robert A.	*Greenleaf, L. N.	*Bowman, Sam. H.	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1881, Sept.	Denver	*Church, Frank	*Church, Frank	*Bowman, Sam. H.	*Church, Frank	*Young, Frank C.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1882, Sept.	Denver	*Sagendorf, Andrew	*Widdierfield, J. W.	*Young, Frank C.	*Widdierfield, J. W.	*Todd, William D.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1883, Sept.	Denver	*Wynman, George E.	*Wynman, George E.	*Peabody, James H.	*Peabody, James H.	*Todd, William D.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1884, Sept.	Denver	*Branch, Albert H.	*Branch, Albert H.	*Widdierfield, J. W.	*Snyder, Stephen O.	*Todd, William D.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1885, Sept.	Denver	*Kimball, George K.	*Kimball, George K.	*Kimball, George K.	*Kimball, George K.	*Todd, William D.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1886, Oct.	Denver	*Todd, William D.	*Todd, William D.	*Bridwell, W. T.	*Bridwell, W. T.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1887, Sept.	Denver	*Foster, E. L. N.	*Foster, E. L. N.	*Maxwell, John M.	*Sabine, William	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1888, Sept.	Denver	*Maxwell, John M.	*Maxwell, John M.	*Wright, Wm. D.	*Maxwell, John M.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1889, Sept.	Denver	*Wright, Wm. D.	*Wright, Wm. D.	*Sanford, J. C.	*Wright, Wm. D.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1890, Sept.	Denver	*Maxwell, John M.	*Maxwell, John M.	*Bush, William L.	*Bush, William L.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1891, Sept.	Denver	*Sanford, Jethro C.	*Sanford, Jethro C.	*Peirce, William D.	*Peirce, William D.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1892, Sept.	Denver	*Bush, William L.	*Bush, William L.	*Roe, George W.	*Roe, George W.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1893, Sept.	Denver	*Peirce, William D.	*Peirce, William D.	*Tucker, Cromwell	*Tucker, Cromwell	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1894, Sept.	Denver	*Roe, George W.	*Roe, George W.	*DeLong, Horace T.	*DeLong, Horace T.	*Church, Frank	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1895, Sept.	Denver	*Tucker, Cromwell	*Tucker, Cromwell	*Burnand, A. A.	*Burnand, A. A.	*Barton, D. A.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1896, Sept.	Denver	*DeLong, Horace T.	*DeLong, Horace T.	*Milton, Jos. W.	*Milton, Jos. W.	*Barton, D. A.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1897, Sept.	Denver	*Burnand, A. A.	*Burnand, A. A.	*Kennedy, Geo. D.	*Kennedy, Geo. D.	*Barton, D. A.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1898, Sept.	Denver	*Milton, Jos. W.	*Milton, Jos. W.	*Kennedy, Geo. D.	*Kennedy, Geo. D.	*Barton, D. A.	Parmelee, Ed. C.
1899, Sept.	Denver						Parmelee, Ed. C.

|| Expelled.

† Suspended.

• Limited.

‡ Deceased.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

FROM OTHER GRAND LODGES			TO OTHER GRAND LODGES		
REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE	DATE OF COMMISSION	GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVES	RESIDENCE
Ernest Le Neve Foster	Denver	March 17, 1890	Alabama	Henry C. Wiley	Troy
Andrew Armstrong	Fort Collins	January 10, 1888	Arizona	Fred G. Brecht	Prescott
Henry T. West	Greeley	August 21, 1894	Arkansas	John C. Bone	May
John Humphreys	Trinidad	January 21, 1888	British Columbia	William Stewart	October 3, 1883
James H. Peabody	Canon City	April 7, 1890	California	James W. Anderson	February 8, 1886
James R. Killian	Walsenburg	June 19, 1886	Canada	Arthur McGinnis	June 13, 1886
Benj. L. James	Denver	September 1, 1886	Connecticut	Asa Smith	July 13, 1886
Charles O. Cuzing	Pueblo	May 21, 1884	Cuba	Henry G. M. Kollock	May 11, 1871
Darius A. Barton	Denver	January 1, 1888	Delaware	Alex. H. Holt	August 9, 1881
William D. Wright	Denver	June 18, 1889	Dis of Columbia	Louis C. Massey	August 1, 1885
Roger W. Woodbury	Denver	March 14, 1879	Florida	Robert H. Smith	June 26, 1889
Cornelius J. Hart	Pueblo	December 20, 1875	Georgia	George H. Stoyer	November 19, 1888
Albert H. Branch	Denver	June 24, 1887	Idaho	L. C. Waters	December 8, 1894
Henry M. Teller	Central City	December 31, 1883	Illinois	Frank S. Devol	November 6, 1899
Harper M. Orabood	Denver	November 23, 1876	Indiana	Andrew Hardy	February 25, 1877
Alphonse A. Burnand	Leadville	May 12, 1892	Indian Territory	Robert E. Torrington	December 14, 1893
Wm. H. Sanford	Denver	July 27, 1886	Kansas	G. Passalacqua	November 8, 1886
Wm. D. Todd	Denver	March 15, 1890	Louisiana	Frank E. Sleeper	October 15, 1894
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	April 20, 1871	Maine	Wm. Arthur Lang	February 1, 1886
J. C. Sanford	Durango	September 10, 1891	Manitoba	Edward T. Schultz	December 30, 1883
Wm. D. Poirce	Denver	September 3, 1885	Maryland	Thomas Montgomery	January 10, 1884
Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Denver	January 30, 1897	Michigan	H. G. Cooper, Jr.	August 20, 1891
Henry M. Teller	Central City	July 16, 1881	Minnesota	C. B. Keene	January 3, 1881
Frank Church	Denver	October 16, 1899	Mississippi	C. B. Nolan	October 19, 1888
Ed. C. Parmelee	Denver	March 23, 1892	Montana	Charles W. Phelps	April 2, 1892
Donald Fletcher	Denver	October 8, 1897	Nebraska	Daniel W. Virgin	October 8, 1890
W. T. Bridwell	Canon City	February 2, 1891	Nevada	Andrew McNichol	February 2, 1898
H. P. H. Brownell	Denver	April 13, 1892	New Brunswick	Henry E. Burnham	April 19, 1892
George K. Kimball	Golden	August 21, 1891	New Hampshire	William W. Goodwin	December 19, 1878
John M. Maxwell	Leadville	February 23, 1889	New Jersey	J. S. Duncan	December 8, 1885
Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Denver	December 10, 1878	New Mexico		June 2, 1894

DIRECTORY.

GRAND LODGE	GRAND MASTER	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT
Alabama	B. Dudley Williams, Oxford	H. Clay Armstrong, Montgomery	William V. Titcomb, Anneton
Arizona	Anthony A. Johns, Prescott	Geo. J. Roskrugs, Tucson	Morris Goldwater, Prescott
Arienses	Robert M. Smith, Hot Springs	Fay Hempstead, Little Rock	Frank Hill, Little Rock
British Columbia	R. Eden Walker, New Westminster	William J. Quinlan, Nelson	W. A. DeW. Smith, New Westminster
California	Chas. L. Patton, San Francisco	Geo. Johnson, San Francisco	Wm. A. Davies, San Francisco
Canada	E. T. Malone, Toronto	John J. Mason, Hamilton	Henry Robertson, Collingwood
Colorado	Alphonse A. Burnand, Leadville	Ed. C. Parmelee, Denver	L. N. Greenleaf, Denver
Connecticut	J. B. Hernandez Barreiro, Havana	John H. Barlow, Hartford	Grand Secretary
Cuba	J. G. Hernandez Barreiro, Havana	Amelio Miranda Havana	Lewis H. Jackson, Wilmington
Delaware	William W. Black, Jr., Laurel	Benj. F. Bartram, Wilmington	Grand Secretary
District of Columbia	John H. Small, Jr., Washington	Wm. R. Singleton, Washington	Samuel Pasco, Monticello
Florida	Silas B. Wright, DeLand	Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville	W. S. Ramsey, Nampa
Georgia	William A. Davis, Macon	William A. Wolabin, Macon	Fred G. Meek, Nampa
Idaho	John C. Muernan, Moscow	J. H. C. Dill, Boise City	Joseph Robbins, Quincy
Illinois	Charles F. Hitchcock, Peoria	Wm. H. Smythe, Indianapolis	N. R. Ruckle, Indianapolis
Indiana	William Geake, Fort Wayne	Jos. S. Murrow, Atoka	James C. W. Coxe, Washington
Indian Territory	P. B. Arthur, Leon	Theo. S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids	J. C. Postlethwaite, Jewell City
Iowa	Thomas Lambert, Sabula	Albert K. Wilson, Topeka	James W. Staton, Brooksville
Kansas	Henry C. Ramsey, Winfield	Henry B. Grant, Louisville	H. C. Duncan, Alexandria
Kentucky	John A. Loomis, Owingsville	Richard Lambert, New Orleans	Josiah H. Drummond, Portland
Louisiana	A. C. Allen, Franklin	Stephen Berry, Portland	James D. O'Meara, Baltimore
Maine	Winfield S. Choate, Augusta	Wm. G. Scott, Winnipeg	Edward T. Schultz, Baltimore
Maine	John Leslie, Winnipeg	Jacob H. Medairy, Baltimore	Grand Secretary
Maryland	Thos. J. Shryock, Baltimore	Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston	Irving Todd, Hastings
Massachusetts	Frank T. Lodge, Detroit	Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul	A. H. Barkley, Crawford
Michigan	Alonzo T. Stebbins, Rochester	J. L. Power, Jackson	Grand Secretary
Minnesota	William Stirling, Greenville	John D. Vincell, St. Louis	Grand Secretary
Mississippi	C. H. Bridges, Fayette	Cornelius Hughes, Helena	Grand Secretary
Missouri	Anthony H. Barrett, Butte	C. N. Noteware, Carson City	A. D. Bird, Reno
Montana	William W. Keyser, Omaha	C. J. Twining Hart, St. John	Albert B. Wait, Newport
Nebraska	John M. McCormack, Reno	Geo. P. Cleaves, Concord	Geo. B. Edwards, Jersey City
Nevada	Thomas Walker, St. John	Thomas H. R. Redway, Trenton	Max Frost, Santa Fe
New Brunswick	John McLane, Milford	Alpheus A. Keen, Las Vegas	
New Hampshire	Josiah W. Ewan, Mount Holly		
New Jersey	Robert C. Stewart, Socorro		
New Mexico			

DIRECTORY—CONCLUDED.

GRAND LODGE	GRAND MASTER	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT.
New South Wales.....	John C. Remington, Sydney.....	Arthur H. Bray, Sydney.....	Jesse B. Anthony, Utica.....
New York.....	Wright, D. Fownall, New York.....	Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York.....	John A. Collins, Enfield.....
New Zealand.....	Richard J. Seadon, Wellington.....	Wm. Ronaldson, Christ Church.....	W. Ernest Thompson, Halifax.....
North Carolina.....	R. J. Noble, Selma.....	John C. Drewry, Raleigh.....	W. M. Cunningham, Newark.....
North Dakota.....	John A. Percival, Devils Lake.....	Frank J. Thompson, Fargo.....	Robert Clow, Junction City.....
Nova Scotia.....	Thomas B. Flint, Yarmouth.....	Wm. Ross, Halifax.....	Michael Arnold, Philadelphia.....
Ohio.....	E. C. Gulliford, Cleveland.....	Jacob H. Brownell, Cincinnati.....	Donald Darrab, Kensington.....
Oklahoma.....	W. L. Eagleton, Pawnee.....	James S. Hunt, Stillwater.....	E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec.....
Oregon.....	John M. Hodson, Portland.....	Jas. F. Robinson, Eugene.....	Henry W. Ragg, Providence.....
Pennsylvania.....	Henry W. Willame, Philadelphia.....	Wm. A. Sinn, Philadelphia.....	Samuel A. Brown, Sioux Falls.....
Prince Edward Island.....	John A. Messervey, Charlottetown.....	Neil MacKevie, Summerside.....	Geo. H. Morgan, Cookeville.....
Quebec.....	Benjamin Tooke, Montreal.....	John H. Isaacson, Montreal.....	T. M. Matthews, Athens.....
Rhode Island.....	Milton Livsey, Providence.....	Edwin Baker, Providence.....	Grand Secretary.....
South Australia.....	S. J. Way, Adelaide.....	J. H. Cunningham, Adelaide.....	Marsh O. Perkins, Windsor.....
South Carolina.....	R. J. Witherspoon, Lancaster.....	Charles Inglesby, Charleston.....	D. Meadowcraft, Melbourne.....
South Dakota.....	William H. Roddie, Brookings.....	Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau.....	J. W. Eggleston, Richmond.....
Tasmania.....	C. C. Davis, Hobart.....	John Hamilton, Hobart.....	Grand Secretary.....
Tennessee.....	Joseph H. Bullock, Paris.....	John B. Garrett, Nashville.....	Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville.....
Texas.....	Sam. R. Hamilton, Farmersville.....	John Watson, Houston.....	
Utah.....	James D. Murdock, Park City.....	Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City.....	
Vermont.....	W. Scott Nay, Underhill.....	Warren G. Reynolds, Burlington.....	
Victoria.....	Lord Brassey, Melbourne.....	John Brain, Melbourne.....	
Virginia.....	R. T. W. Duke, Jr., Charlottesville.....	Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond.....	
Washington.....	Wm. M. Soeman, Fort Steilacoon.....	Thos. M. Reed, Olympia.....	
West Virginia.....	Joseph Hall, Wheeling.....	Geo. W. Atkinson, Charleston.....	
Wisconsin.....	Charles E. Whelan, Madison.....	John W. Leflin, Milwaukee.....	
Wyoming.....	E. P. Bowman, New Castle.....	Wm. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga.....	

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CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado, in order to form a more perfect fraternal union, provide for and promote the general welfare of the Craft, do ordain and establish this Constitution:

TITLE.

Section 1. The name of this Grand Lodge shall be "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado."

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

2. The officers and members of this Grand Lodge, and their rank and title, shall be as follows:

- The Most Worshipful Grand Master.
- The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.
- The Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.
- The Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Orator.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer.
- The Right Worshipful Grand Marshal.
- The Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon.
- The Worshipful Junior Grand Deacon.
- The Grand Stewards.
- The Grand Tiler.

Together with such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as are members of Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction, and the Masters and Wardens, or their proxies, of each chartered Lodge in this jurisdiction.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

3. The Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge shall be held in the city of Denver, on the third Tuesday of September in each year. The hour of meeting shall be 10 o'clock a. m.

QUORUM.

4. The representatives of at least three chartered Lodges under this Grand jurisdiction shall be necessary to constitute a quorum, and the Grand Lodge shall not be opened until such number be present, but a smaller number may meet and adjourn from day to day, until a constitutional quorum shall be present.

POWERS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

5. By the ancient constitutions and the usages of Freemasonry, this Grand Lodge is the Supreme Masonic authority in Colorado. It has original and exclusive jurisdiction over all subjects of Masonic legislation and appellate jurisdiction from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges.

6. It has the power to enact laws and regulations for the government of the Craft, and of altering and abrogating them, to establish and preserve a uniformity of work and lectures, to issue charters for new Lodges, and to suspend and revoke them for unmasonic conduct; and all the powers it may exercise, it may delegate as in its wisdom and discretion it may deem best, unless especially prohibited.

OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED.

7. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge there shall be elected by ballot, from among the brethren who are constitutionally eligible thereto, a Grand Master, a Deputy Grand Mas-

ter, a Senior and a Junior Grand Warden, a Grand Treasurer and a Grand Secretary. The Senior Grand Warden shall appoint a Junior Grand Deacon, the Junior Grand Warden shall appoint two Grand Stewards, and the Grand Master shall appoint all the remaining officers of the Grand Lodge.

8. On all questions arising in the Grand Lodge the Grand officers, together with such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as may be present and are members thereof, and the Masters and Wardens of each Subordinate Lodge, or their regularly constituted proxies, shall each be entitled to one vote; but in no case whatsoever shall a member, by virtue of any proxy, or authority, cast more than three votes.

9. A majority of all the votes cast at any election of officers shall be necessary to elect.

QUALIFICATIONS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

10. No brother shall be eligible to the office of either Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master or Grand Warden, who has not been duly elected, installed and presided over a Subordinate Lodge, neither shall he be eligible to any office unless he is a member of a Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction.

INSTALLATION.

11. The officers of the Grand Lodge, elected and appointed, shall be annually installed, and shall perform their respective duties until their successors in office are duly elected and installed, and no officer shall be installed by proxy.

THE GRAND MASTER.

12. The Most Worshipful Grand Master shall have and enjoy all the powers and prerogatives conferred by the ancient constitutions and the usages and landmarks of Freemasonry.

13. He may convene the Grand Lodge in Special Grand Communication on any emergency which, in his judgment, may require it.

14. He has the power to convene any Subordinate Lodge within this Grand jurisdiction, preside therein and inspect its work.

15. It is his duty to require from all subordinate Lodges a strict conformity to the established rules, regulations and landmarks of Freemasonry.

16. For good cause he may suspend the functions of any Subordinate Lodge until the next communication of the Grand Lodge.

17. His decisions on all questions relative to the Craft shall be final, unless reversed by a vote of the majority of the Grand Lodge.

18. The granting and rejecting of all petitions for dispensations shall be solely within the province of the Grand Master.

19. He has the command of all other Grand officers touching the duties and ministration of their several offices, and may call on any and all of them, at any time, for advice and assistance in all business relative to the Craft.

20. In case of his death, absence or inability to act, the powers and duties of his station, for all regular and necessary purposes, shall, for the time being, devolve upon the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, or the Junior Grand Warden, in the order herein named.

GRAND TREASURER.

21. The Grand Treasurer shall have charge of all the funds and securities of the Grand Lodge, and it shall be his duty to attend all communications of the Grand Lodge, and report annually (or whenever requested by the Grand Master or Lodge) the condition of the finances; to pay all warrants drawn on him authorized by the Grand Lodge,

signed by the Grand Secretary, which warrants he shall cancel when paid; to keep all funds under his control in some repository, and if deposited in bank, to take receipt therefor in the name of the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Colorado; he shall not be authorized to loan out funds in his possession, except as ordered by the Grand Lodge or on the approval of the Grand Master. In making his annual report he shall accompany it with vouchers for all moneys paid out by him during the year, and the actual cash, certificate of deposit, certified check, or other like evidence, that the cash balance, as shown by the report, is in the actual possession of the Grand Lodge; he shall give bonds with good and sufficient sureties, in the penal sum of \$5,000, conditioned on the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, the bond to be approved by the Grand Lodge or Master, which bond shall be deposited with the Grand Master for safe keeping, and finally turn over to his successor in office all funds and property in his possession belonging to the Grand Lodge.

GRAND SECRETARY.

22. The Grand Secretary shall attend at all communications of the Grand Lodge, and duly record its proceedings, and shall receive and accurately account for and promptly pay over to the Grand Treasurer, all the funds and property of the Grand Lodge, from whatever source, taking his receipt for the same. He shall keep a record of the returns made by the Subordinate Lodges, and examine said returns so as to report thereon at each Annual Communication. He shall receive and preserve all petitions, applications, appeals and other documents; sign, certify to and duly seal all instruments of writing emanating from the Grand Lodge; conduct the correspondence of the Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master; and report

annually to the several Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, the names of the Grand officers elected. He shall, at each Annual Grand Communication, make a report to the Grand Lodge of moneys received and paid over to the Grand Treasurer, of failure or want of punctuality on the part of Subordinate Lodges in paying dues, and making proper returns, and of such other matters as, in his judgment, may require the action of the Grand Lodge. He shall, in due time, previous to each Annual Grand Communication, furnish each Subordinate Lodge with blank returns and with such instructions in regard to them as the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge may require. He shall also prepare and forward to each Lodge under dispensation, thirty days previous to the Annual Grand Communication, full instructions for its guidance in making returns and petitioning for charter. He shall, thirty days prior to the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, communicate with the proper officials of the different railroads centering in Denver, and endeavor to secure concessions on railroad fares, and tickets good from the Saturday prior to the Saturday subsequent to said annual meetings, and notify the different Lodges of the rate secured. He shall cause the Constitution, By-Laws and standing resolutions of this Grand Lodge to be published annually, with the proceedings. He shall give bond, with good and sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$5,000 conditioned on a faithful discharge of the duties of his office, the bond to be satisfactory to the Grand Lodge or Master, and which shall be deposited with the Grand Master for safe keeping. He shall be *ex officio* Librarian, and perform the duties prescribed in Section 30 of the Constitution, and for his services shall be paid the sum of \$1,200 as salary for the year ending with this communication of the Grand Lodge, and each succeeding year thereafter, payable quarterly by warrants drawn upon the Grand Treasurer.

It shall also be the duty of the Grand Secretary

to furnish the Grand Master with a complete list of all Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of Lodges in this jurisdiction, on file in his office, not later than the first day of February following the annual installations.

OTHER OFFICERS.

23. The Grand Chaplain shall attend the communications of the Grand Lodge and lead in devotional exercises.

24. The Grand Orator shall prepare an address upon the subject of Masonry, to be delivered to the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication.

25. It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer to impart the esoteric work of this jurisdiction to the officers and members of Subordinate Lodges when called upon so to do. He may also convene any Lodge within this jurisdiction for the purpose of instructing it in the work, and may require the officers thereof to exemplify the work upon a candidate or substitute, and correct any inaccuracies in such work. He shall make a detailed statement of all his official acts and doings to the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication, together with such particulars and recommendations as he may deem necessary. He shall receive in compensation the sum of \$3 per day for each day actually spent in the discharge of the duties of his office, and actual expenses, to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

26. The Grand Marshal shall proclaim the Grand officers at their installation, introduce the representatives of foreign Grand Lodges and distinguished visiting brethren and conduct processions of the Grand Lodge.

27. The Grand Deacons shall perform the duties incidental to their respective offices.

28. The Grand Stewards shall have immediate superintendence, under the direction of the Junior

Grand Warden, in the provisions to be made on all festive occasions.

29. The Grand Tiler shall guard the door of the Grand Lodge on the outside, report all persons claiming admission, and see that none enter but such as are duly authorized and properly clothed. He shall have all the rights and be entitled to all the honors of other Grand officers, except the right to vote.

30. The Librarian shall have the care of all the books purchased or donated to the library of this Grand Lodge. Whenever any donations shall be made to the library fund the donation shall be credited to the donor in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Grand Secretary, and the money so donated shall be for the purchase of books only. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary are authorized to purchase additional books for the library from time to time as they may think proper, and draw upon the library fund to pay for the same.

31. This Constitution can only be amended by proposing the change in writing at an Annual Grand Communication; and if, after reference to and report by a committee, it shall be concurred in by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, it shall be from that time a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS

PERTAINING TO THE GRAND LODGE.

REPRESENTATION.

Section 1. Every Subordinate Lodge in good standing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be entitled to be represented in this Grand Lodge by its Master and Wardens, or their proxies appointed by themselves, and who shall be members of the Lodge they are appointed to represent; and each Lodge shall be entitled to three votes upon all questions before the Grand Lodge.

2. No representative shall be entitled to a seat in this Grand Lodge until the dues of his Lodge are paid, and the Grand Secretary's receipt obtained, and the returns of the Lodge delivered to the Grand Secretary, as required by sections 36 and 38 of these By-Laws.

SESSION COMMITTEES.

3. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, as soon as practicable after its organization, the Grand Master shall appoint the following named committees, of three members each:

1. A Committee on Credentials, whose duty shall be to examine the credentials of all Masons claiming the right of membership, and report their names and Masonic connection to the Grand Lodge.

2. A Committee to Examine Visiting Brethren, whose duty shall be to examine all visitors not properly vouched for, and report their respective names, addresses and Masonic connection to the Grand Lodge.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

4. Before the close of each Annual Communication the Grand Master shall appoint standing com-

mittees, of three members each, for the ensuing Masonic year, as follows:

1. On Masonic Correspondence, whose duty shall be to examine the correspondence and documents from other Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, and report at the next Annual Communication whatever may seem of sufficient importance and interest.

2. On Masonic Jurisprudence, whose duty shall be to examine and report upon all questions, documents and papers requiring investigation and decision upon points of Masonic law.

3. A Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges Under Dispensation, and on Petitions, whose duty it shall be to examine the By-Laws, records of the work and returns of Lodges under dispensation, and to make report to the Grand Lodge if, or not, in their opinion, charters should be granted to such Lodges, and if so, reporting the names of all proposed charter members. Also to examine all petitions for change of location, or for change of name, and report on the same to the Grand Lodge.

4. A Committee on Appeals and Grievances, whose duty shall be to examine and report upon all appeals, memorials and petitions in relation to any matter of complaint within this jurisdiction which shall come before the Grand Lodge.

5. A Committee on Finance, Mileage and Per Diem, whose duty shall be to examine and report on all accounts and financial matters to them referred, and to make a full report before the close of each annual Grand Communication, on the financial condition of the Grand Lodge. Also, to ascertain the sums to which each officer and representative is entitled on account of traveling expenses and per diem, and report the same to the Grand Lodge.

6. A committee which shall be known as The Custodians of the Work, which shall be appointed at this session of the Grand Lodge, by the Grand Master, for one, two and three years respectively. And that one shall be appointed for a term of three years each succeeding year hereafter, and that the Grand Lecturer appointed for this jurisdiction shall be a member of and chairman of this committee, whose duties shall be the custody and preservation of the esoteric work, forms and ceremonies of this jurisdiction. And their decisions on all questions of interpretation of the ritual shall be final and not subject to alteration or review, except by the Grand Lodge. They shall keep a record of their proceedings and rulings hereunder, which shall be deposited in the office of the Grand Secretary and subject to examination in that officer's presence, and they shall make an annual report to this Grand Lodge, through the Grand Lecturer, of their doings.

PAY OF MEMBERS.

5. The Grand officers, members of the Committees on Correspondence, Jurisprudence, Returns

and Work, Appeals and Grievances, and Finance, Mileage and Per Diem, and the officer highest in rank, or in the absence of officers, the representative highest in rank from each Lodge, under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed their actual traveling expenses (railroad, stage or other fare) going and returning from their place of residence, computed by the nearest traveled route, and \$3 per day for each day's actual attendance at the Grand Lodge; *provided*, no one shall draw mileage or per diem both as Grand officer and representative; *provided further*, that in case of absence from any regular session of the Grand Lodge (except in case of sickness or other unavoidable cause), without permission of the Grand Master, or Grand Lodge, all claim to payment or compensation, under this section, shall be forfeited.

Each of said standing committees may, at the call of the Grand Master, meet at least one day prior to each Annual Communication, and consider any matters presented by the Grand Master, so as to be ready to report at the opening of the session.— See decision 216.

RULES OF ORDER.

6. The Grand Master shall take the chair every day at the hour to which the Grand Lodge shall have called off.

7. During business the members are required to keep their seats and observe strict order and decorum; and no member shall leave the hall or absent himself from the service of the Grand Lodge unless he has permission, or be sick or unable to attend.

8. No member shall be permitted to speak more than twice upon any subject, unless to explain, without permission from the Grand Lodge. If any member is twice called to order at a com-

munication for transgressing these rules, and is guilty of a third offense of the same nature, the presiding officer shall peremptorily order him to leave the Grand Lodge; and he may, further, be amenable to reprimand, suspension or expulsion, as the Grand Lodge shall deem proper.

9. When a question is put, it shall be the duty of every member present to vote, unless for good cause the Grand Lodge shall excuse him; but no member shall vote upon any question in the event of which he is personally interested.

10. No motion shall be entertained until it is seconded; and no debate shall be had thereon until it is stated by the chair.

11. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, with the name of the mover endorsed thereon, if the chair or the Grand Secretary desire.

12. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to lay on the table, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

13. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends questions so distinct that one being taken away the rest may stand entire for the decision of the Grand Lodge. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

14. When a motion has once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member in the majority to move for a reconsideration thereof.

15. All unprivileged questions shall be propounded in the order in which they are moved, except in filling up blanks, when the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

16. No report shall be received from a committee unless the same be reduced to writing and signed by a majority of the members thereof.

17. No committee shall sit during the session of the Grand Lodge without special permission.

18. The journal shall be read and approved before the final close of each Annual Grand Communication.

PERTAINING SUBORDINATE LODGES.

DISPENSATIONS.

19. No dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge shall be granted except upon the petition of at least eight Master Masons, in good standing, each of whom shall sign his full name and state the Lodge to which he belongs. In addition to such general information as may be necessary for the Grand Master, the petition shall specifically set forth: The name of the town and county; the estimated population of the town; what additional towns or territory will be included in the proposed jurisdiction; that the material is sufficient to sustain a healthy and reputable Lodge; that all of the petitioners reside within the proposed jurisdiction; that they have at their disposal suitable quarters for the practice of Masonic rites; if the expenses incident to a new Lodge have been donated, or if they are to be paid at a future time by the Lodge; that they will conform to all the orders of the Grand Master, and the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge; and shall present the names of suitable brethren for appointment as Master and Wardens.

20. The petition shall be accompanied by the minimum fee of \$40, and by a recommendation from the nearest chartered Lodge, certifying to the truth of the statements contained in the petition, and that the brother named for Master is qualified to

open and close a Lodge, and to confer the three degrees. (See Decisions 58 and 150.)

21. The petition shall also be accompanied by evidence of the standing of all the signers, as follows: If from Lodges beyond this jurisdiction, by dimits; if from within this jurisdiction, by dimits or certificates from the Lodge Secretaries that the brethren are under no charges and have paid dues to the time of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

22. Existing membership shall only be disturbed when a charter follows a dispensation, in which event they shall immediately cease in the old and begin in the new Lodge; and it shall be the duty of the Master of the latter to see that the several Lodges interested are promptly notified of the changes. (See Decision 180.)

23. Each Lodge under dispensation shall be governed by the By-Laws pertaining to Subordinate Lodges, as adopted by the Grand Lodge, and at the next Annual Grand Communication shall forward to the Grand Secretary its dispensation, returns of all work, record of proceedings, proposed By-Laws, and \$1 for each Mason raised. (See Decisions 90 and 101.)

24. No Lodge shall do any work out of the regular order, unless by dispensation from the Grand Master; and any Lodge working under dispensation shall return the same to the Grand Master with an endorsement of the action had thereon.

25. A petition from a Lodge to the Grand Master for a dispensation shall set forth fully the emergency, and if for other purposes than a new Lodge, shall be accompanied with a fee of \$5, which shall be paid to the Grand Secretary for the library fund, except for the purpose of attending Divine service, when no fee shall be required.

CHARTERS AND NEW LODGES.

26. Charters shall be granted by the Grand Lodge at a regular Annual Communication, and under no circumstances shall the power to issue be left discretionary with the Grand Master or any other officer.

27. No charter shall be granted except the Lodge shall have worked under dispensation to the satisfaction of the Grand Lodge, and shall have regularly conferred the three degrees.

28. Charters shall only be granted upon the written petition of the brethren named in the dispensation and those raised by its authority, together with such others as present dimits to the Grand Lodge, and may have received the unanimous endorsement of the Lodge under dispensation; provided, that if, through absence or sickness, any eligible signatures are omitted, the names may nevertheless appear in the charter.

29. Petitions for charter shall propose the name of the Lodge and nominate for Master and Wardens; nevertheless the Grand Lodge may substitute others in lieu thereof.

30. No Lodge shall pay a stated salary to its Secretary, but may allow him such percentage of Lodge moneys collected as in its judgment is proper for all his services.

31. The minimum fee for the issuance of a charter shall be \$20.

32. It is not in the power of a majority of the members of a Lodge to surrender the charter, so long as seven Master Masons, members thereof, continue to work under it, according to the ancient Landmarks of Masonry.

33. The Grand Lodge shall recall any charter of a Lodge which fails to meet for twelve consecutive months.

34. Whenever any charter of a Lodge shall be destroyed, stolen or surreptitiously taken and detained, or becomes so defaced as to be unfit for use, without the fault of the Lodge or Master, it shall be lawful for the Grand Master to order another to be issued, which shall set forth the members and officers named in the charter lost, detained or destroyed, the Grand Communication at which it was granted, the names of the Grand Officers attached thereto, and the circumstances of its loss, destruction or detention; and shall be signed by the Grand Master and attested by the Grand Secretary under seal of the Grand Lodge, without fee.

REPORTS, RETURNS AND DUES FROM CHARTERED
LODGES.

35. Each Lodge shall, immediately after its annual installation, report to the Grand Secretary the names of its Master, Wardens and Secretary.

36. Each chartered Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary, at least twelve days prior to the first day of each Annual Grand Communication, returns of all work done from the last return to and including the thirty-first day of August of that year.

37. Each Lodge shall pay to the Grand Secretary, as Grand Lodge dues, the sum of \$1 for each member less than sixty years of age, and specify in the returns the names of the members exempt. (See Decision 125.)

38. Grand Lodge dues are hereby made payable at the time of making the annual returns of work. If any Lodge neglect or refuse to pay at the time specified, and shall persist, for the period of sixty days, without giving reasons satisfactory to the Grand Master, it shall be his duty to suspend the functions of such Lodge, until the next Stated Communication of the Grand Lodge.

39. Whenever Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts neglect for a period of two years to pass examination upon their proficiency, and take the next degree, their names shall be dropped from the reports of the Lodge, but they shall still remain available working material for said Lodge. (See Decision 152.)

GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATION.

40. It is the duty of the Master to see that his Lodge is represented at all Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, and if any Master fails so to do, he shall furnish the Grand Lodge with his excuse therefor.

41. The Grand Lodge may order suspended or forfeited the charter of any Lodge which fails for two successive years to be represented at the Grand Lodge Communications.

ELECTIONS TO OFFICE.

42a. Elections for officers in Subordinate Lodges shall be held on the first Stated Communication in December of each year; and the officers elect shall be installed as soon thereafter as practicable, and not later than St. John's Day, unless by special dispensation. (See Decision 106.)

42b. No brother shall be declared elected to office without having received a majority vote of all the members present.

43. It is at variance with the spirit of Masonry to electioneer for or make nominations for offices, and it is hereby strictly prohibited.

44. No election for officers shall take place in a Lodge under dispensation, but such as are not designated in the dispensation shall be filled by order of the Master.

INSTALLATIONS.

45. No Lodge shall hold a public installation without a dispensation.

46. A re-elected Master may, if necessary, hold over without re-installation.

47. All the officers of a newly-chartered Lodge must be installed by the Grand Master, or his representative. No officer shall be installed by proxy.

48. The Past Master's Degree is not essential for installation, but when conferred, none but actual Past Masters can be present. (See Decisions 170 and 171.)

WARDENS.

49. In the absence of a Master of a Lodge, Wardens may preside and confer degrees; but in the absence of all, a Lodge may only be opened by the Grand Master or his representative.

JURISDICTION.

50. Service as Warden in a Lodge, under dispensation, does not constitute eligibility to election as Master in a chartered Lodge.

51. Unless otherwise specified, Lodge jurisdiction shall extend by air line one-half way to surrounding Lodges.

52. Two or more Lodges in the same town or city shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction except when otherwise provided.

53. Each Lodge having concurrent jurisdiction with another Lodge or other Lodges, shall immediately notify the same of any application it may receive for the degrees.

54. Mount Princeton Lodge No. 49, and Tin Cup Lodge No. 52, shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction in the towns of St. Elmo and Hancock.

PETITIONS.

55. No Subordinate Lodge shall act upon a petition for initiation unless the applicant has resided within the jurisdiction of that Lodge during the preceding twelve months. (See decisions 37, 82, 95, 113, 151, 190, 246 and 256.)

56. After a petition is regularly received and entered upon the minutes, it shall not be withdrawn. (See Decisions 103, 178 and 257.)

57. Subordinate Lodges shall act upon no petition for initiation or membership, unless the same shall have been laid over one lunar month.

58. Subordinate Lodges shall act on no petition for initiation from an applicant who lives nearer another Lodge, without first obtaining the unanimous consent of the latter, at a regular meeting, which consent shall be expressed by ballot.

59. Subordinate Lodges shall receive no petition for affiliation unless accompanied by a dimit or a certificate of good standing from the Lodge of which the petitioner was last a member. (See Decision 103.)

60. Whenever a candidate who has been elected, fails to appear for initiation within three months or give satisfactory reasons, the money which accompanied his petition shall be forfeited, and in order to become a Mason he must renew his petition. (See Decision 178.)

61. A brother having received a portion of the degrees and desiring the remainder in another Lodge, shall first obtain the unanimous consent of that which conferred the degrees already received, and which consent shall be determined by ballot. His petition to the other Lodge in regular form, stating the additional facts, and accompanied by the said permission, may then take the usual course. (See Decision 65.)

62. No Subordinate Lodge shall ballot upon a petition until report has been made by a committee

to the following details concerning the character of the petitioner.

1. What is his age?
2. Is he married or single?
3. If married, is he living with his wife?
4. What is his occupation, and where is he employed?
5. Is he physically qualified for admission?
6. What is the character of his company and associates?
7. Is he addicted to the intemperate use of intoxicating liquors?
8. Does he gamble?
9. Does he habitually use profane or indecent language?
10. Has he licentious or immoral habits?
11. Is he a law-abiding citizen?
12. Does he possess sufficient education and intelligence to understand and value the doctrines and tenets of Masonry?
13. Has he ever made previous application for degrees? And if so, where and when? (See Decisions 37 and 178.)

BALLOTING.

63. No ballot shall be spread except at a Regular Communication, unless by dispensation.

64. In balloting for candidates, all members of the Lodge present shall vote.

65. The ballot shall be spread for each degree, and shall be unanimous upon the moral, intellectual and Masonic qualifications of the applicant. (See Decisions 173 and 174.)

66. After the ballot has been examined, first by the Wardens and finally by the Master, the result shall be declared by the latter, unless a single negative vote appear, in which event he may order it respread, the result of which shall be absolutely final, subject to no reconsideration, under any circumstances whatsoever, nor can it be set aside by the Lodge, Master, Grand Master, or even the Grand Lodge. (See Decision 174.)

67. No Mason shall divulge the character of his vote upon the petition of any candidate.

REJECTIONS.

68. A rejected candidate for the degrees shall not be received within twelve months thereafter by

another Lodge without the unanimous consent by ballot of that which rejected him.

69. Lodges may provide by By-Law the time that shall elapse between a rejection and another application. Provided that six months shall elapse before a petition for the degrees shall be again received. (See Decision 70.)

70. Secretaries of Lodges shall report no rejections for initiation or affiliation.

OBJECTIONS AFTER BALLOT.

71. Advancement to the degrees may be stayed at any time, for good reasons, by the Lodge or Master.

72. Objection by a member in good standing to the initiation of an elected candidate shall have the same effect as an unfavorable ballot. Such objection, when made, shall be reported to the Lodge at the next Regular Communication, and the fact of such objection shall be entered of record without the name of the brother objecting. The candidate shall then be declared rejected, and his money returned, as in other cases of rejection. Such objection shall have no other or greater force than an unfavorable ballot.

73. Objection to the advancement of a brother, made by a member in good standing, shall stop all further proceedings until the objections be withdrawn or otherwise disposed of, or the objector's membership ceases. When such objection is made, the fact and the name of the objecting brother shall be entered of record.

The Lodge may at a Regular Communication, upon two weeks' notice to the objecting brother, take up and try the sufficiency of the objection, and if deemed sufficient, all fees for degrees unconferrred shall be at once returned, and the candidate shall not be advanced until the objection is withdrawn or the objector's membership ceases. If the objection is deemed insufficient, the candidate may be advanced. (See Decisions 74 and 75.)

CONFERRING DEGREES.

74. No Lodge shall confer the Entered Apprentice Degree upon a candidate unless he be a perfect man, having no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art and becoming perfect in the word. (See Decisions 139, 148 and 259.)

75. No candidate shall receive, without dispensation, more than one degree on the same day, nor until he has passed a satisfactory examination in open Lodge on the last degree received. (See Decisions 173 and 245.)

76. No Lodge shall confer the first section of any degree on more than one candidate at the same time.

77. No Lodge shall confer a degree upon any non-resident citizen without first obtaining consent from the proper jurisdiction.

78. The making of a Master Mason constitutes the brother a member of the Lodge in which raised, except when done at the request of another Lodge. Signing the By-Laws, though desirable, is not essential.

79. No Lodge shall confer the three degrees for less than \$30, to be paid in advance.

AFFILIATION.

80. No petition shall be received for affiliation except from a former member, until the petitioner has visited the Lodge; and the ballot shall not be spread upon such petition until after a visit subsequent to its reception. (See Decision 257.)

81. No Lodge shall admit to membership any brother who shall be exempt from any of the duties, obligations and privileges required by the Constitution, Regulations and Landmarks of Masonry.

82. No Lodge having a membership of less than 300 shall collect a fee for affiliation.

NON-AFFILIATES.

83. Non-affiliation is cause for discipline, and all non-affiliates, who have not made application for membership in some Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction within one year, shall not be entitled to visit any Lodge more than twice during the year, or join any Masonic procession, nor be entitled, as a matter of right, to Masonic relief or burial.

84. The conduct of all Masons shall subject them to discipline by the Lodge within whose jurisdiction they reside, unless the offender should hold membership in another Lodge in the same place. (See Decisions 143 and 169.)

DIMITS.

85. No Lodge shall grant a dimit except upon written application, presented at a Stated Communication, which shall lie over until the next Stated Communication, when, if no charges have been preferred, and the brother's dues have been paid, the dimit shall be ordered and issued. (See Decisions 141-164.)

86. No elective or appointed officer shall be dimitted during the period for which he has been installed.

87. Members of extinct Lodges are entitled to Grand Lodge certificates on application, and upon paying all arrearages due the Lodge to which they belonged.

88. A dimit dates from the Lodge record when the same was granted, and membership ceases with that date, even if the certificate be not issued.

89. Upon the election of non-affiliates, their dimits or other certificates of former membership shall be canceled by the Secretary. (See Decision 175.)

SUMMONS.

90. A summons issued by a Subordinate Lodge or the Worshipful Master thereof, must be written or printed, and under the seal of the Lodge. (See Decisions 107 and 162.)

91. No summons need contain other matter than a requisition to attend the Lodge.

92. Every Master Mason is bound to attend the Lodge requiring him, on being summoned. (See Decision 154.)

TRIALS.

93. Any member of a Subordinate Lodge is subject to the discipline thereof, excepting only the Worshipful Master.

94. No Mason shall be deprived of any Masonic right except after due charges, trial and conviction. (See Decision 153.)

95. Charges must be signed by the accuser (by the Junior Warden or other member, if ordered by the Lodge) and be presented at a regular Communication; whereupon the accused shall be furnished with a copy and summoned to plead thereto. (See Decisions 147, 160 and 163.)

96. If the plea be not guilty, the Lodge shall then determine if the trial shall be by the Lodge or a commission of its members; except that in case of a suspended Mason undergoing trial for a new offense, the testimony shall only be taken by a commission. If trial be by the Lodge, it shall fix the time, and the accused be notified thereof. (See Decisions 145 and 161.)

97. All such trials shall be in the highest degree attained by the accused, and upon its conclusion both he and his accuser shall retire, unless the latter be such by virtue of an order from the Lodge. (See Decision 147.)

98. The Lodge shall be opened on the Third Degree when arriving at a verdict. The question of guilt shall be determined by ballot, and upon which every member present shall vote; and if two-thirds be not dark, the accused shall be declared not guilty. (See Decisions 66 and 159.)

99. If the verdict be guilty, the Master shall put the question as to punishment, beginning with the highest and ending with the lowest herein provided. The vote on punishment may be taken by a show of hands, and decided by a two-thirds vote of the members present, except in case of a reprimand, which may be determined by a majority vote. (See Decision 66.)

100. If the Lodge determine that the trial be by commission, the time shall be fixed by the latter, who shall report the testimony in writing, together with their own finding, to the Lodge. Thereupon the Lodge shall finally determine the question of guilt and punishment as heretofore provided. (See Decision 144.)

101. The accused and accuser may be present at all examinations of witnesses, in or out of the Lodge, and propose such relevant questions as they may desire.

102. All witnesses shall possess the use of their reason, and have such religious belief as to feel the obligations of an oath; and they shall not have been convicted of any infamous crime. Witnesses not Masons shall be examined under legal oath, or may make deposition.

103. All testimony, in or out of Lodge, shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses.

104. If the residence of the accused is not known, or if, upon due summons, he refuses or neglects to attend, trial may proceed without his presence. (See Decision 158.)

105. Lodges are not required to furnish the Grand Lodge with copies of proceedings in trials,

except on appeal; and if a new trial be ordered by the Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary shall return said copies to the Lodge.

PENALTIES.

106. The Masonic punishment which may and shall be inflicted by the Grand Lodge and its Subordinates, shall be either reprimand, definite or indefinite suspension, or expulsion. (See Decision 66.)

107. Expulsion from a Lodge shall include expulsion from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. (See Decision 165.)

108. A reprimand may either be private or public, but shall not be given until the offender has had due notice and an opportunity for explanation or excuse, nor by any one but the Acting Master, in the manner and form he may deem proper in private, or in open Lodge, from his appropriate station. (See Decision 154.)

109. When any brother shall be suspended or expelled, immediate notice thereof shall be sent by the Lodge Secretary to the Grand Secretary. The Grand Secretary shall compile such reports at the end of each month, and send the same to each Lodge. No member shall be permitted to make any expulsion or suspension public, nor to communicate the same to any person not a Mason, except by a resolution to make public by the Lodge taking action, and which fact shall also be reported to the Grand Secretary. All expulsions and suspensions shall also be published with the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge. (See Decision 201.)

APPEALS.

110. All Masons have the right to appeal from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges to the Grand Lodge any time before the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, in which case the Lodge shall furnish the Grand Lodge and the accused with an attested copy of its proceedings on the trial, and

such testimony in its possession as he may require. (See Decision 185.)

111. All appeals shall be in writing and filed with the Grand Secretary, and the appellant shall give the other party reasonable notice thereof.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

112. The non-payment of Lodge dues by a brother known to be able is cause for discipline.

113. On report of the Secretary that a brother is in arrears for two years or more, a Lodge may order charges signed by the Junior Warden in the following form:

"By order of....Lodge No....., A. F. and A. M., I hereby charge Brother..... with unmasonic conduct in neglecting to pay Lodge dues from theday of.....to the.....day of.....

"Dated.....

".....Junior Warden."

114. Examination shall be in open Lodge, and the testimony of the Secretary as to the indebtedness and requests for payment shall be sufficient evidence for the prosecution. Nevertheless, the Lodge may exercise such clemency as to it may seem proper, according to the circumstances of each case.

115. The only penalty for conviction under charges for non-payment of dues shall be reprimand or indefinite suspension from all the rights and benefits of Masonry; but reprimand shall not be inflicted for a second offense.

116. An application for restoration, after indefinite suspension for non-payment of dues shall not be received until all dues are paid to the date of suspension.

RESTORATION.

117. In case the decision of any Lodge suspending or expelling a brother shall be reversed by

the Grand Lodge, such brother shall be restored to all the rights and privileges as a Mason and a member of the Lodge.

118. No expelled Mason shall be restored to the privileges of Masonry except by a vote of the Grand Lodge, and such restoration shall not reinstate him to Lodge membership without the unanimous consent of the members thereof.

119. An application to reinstate an expelled Mason must in all cases be accompanied with a recommendation from the Lodge by which he was expelled, provided such Lodge be still in existence.

120. Restoration after definite suspension shall take place at the expiration of the time specified in the sentence without further action.

121. Restoration after indefinite suspension shall be by action of the Lodge at a Stated Communication, after due notice to the Lodge of at least one lunar month, and must be by a two-thirds vote of the members present.—See Decision 211.

WITHOUT TRIAL.

122. A Mason heretofore dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues (without trial), shall be restored to good standing without further action of the Lodge, upon the payment of all arrearages to the date of being so dropped. (See Decision 199.)

NON-INTERCOURSE.

123. Lodges are authorized to use their discretion, according to circumstances, as to recognizing as Masons any residents of the jurisdiction who may, during such residence, have received the degrees elsewhere.

124. All Masons belonging to Lodges in this jurisdiction are forbidden to knowingly hold Masonic intercourse with any Mason belonging to a Lodge chartered by either the Grand Orient of

France or the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, and any brother doing so shall be subject to the highest Masonic penalties. *Provided*, That Masons holding dimits from Lodges in Europe chartered by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, who are or may become citizens of the United States and residents within this Grand Jurisdiction, may petition Lodges of this jurisdiction for affiliation, the said Lodges being authorized to recognize such dimits for that purpose, and to act upon the said petitions.

INTEMPERANCE.

125. It is hereby made the imperative duty of all Lodges to restrain, as far as possible, the Masonic crime of intemperance, by trial and punishment, as the case may require, and to exclude from Lodge and ante-room all intoxicating liquors; and for the faithful performance of these duties they will be held strictly accountable to the Grand Lodge. It shall be unlawful to initiate or affiliate any person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors. All Masons are, therefore, fraternally advised to refrain from engaging in the liquor traffic. (See Decisions 40, 51, 62, 86, 115, 123, 132, 172 and 239.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

126. It shall not be lawful for a Lodge to hold Communications on the Sabbath day for any purpose whatever, except to attend the funeral of a Mason.

127. The delivery or teaching of any Masonic work not authorized, or which has not received the sanction of the Grand Lodge or its lawful authority, is forbidden.

128. Upon the demise of any Lodge, the Secretary and Treasurer of the same shall, within three months, transmit to the Grand Secretary all the books, papers, jewels, furniture, funds and other property of the Lodge so demised.

129. The Grand Master is authorized, at the request of a Lodge, to change its location or place of meeting, but such a request must be made at a Regular Communication, after notice given in open Lodge at least one lunar month before action is taken by the Lodge.

130. Honorary membership gives the right to speak in Lodge, but not to vote. It can not be conferred on a regular member of a Lodge by the same body. (See Decision 46.)

131. Lodges and Committees on Charity shall require from applicants for assistance evidence of good standing before granting the same, and in the event such applicant shall prove to be an impostor or unworthy, such fact, with a full description of the impostor, shall be immediately reported to the Grand Secretary, whose duty it shall be to forthwith send notice of the same to all Lodges in this jurisdiction and the Grand Secretary of all the jurisdictions immediately adjoining.

132. Objection by a member present at a meeting of his Lodge to the visit of a brother at that Communication shall exclude the visitor.

133. Changes in Lodge By-Laws shall only be operative after approval by the Grand Master.

134. The Master of each Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction shall cause to be read in open Lodge, within two months after the annual election, the Constitution, By-Laws and Decisions, and in each case should immediately advise the Grand Master of the compliance with this By-Law.

CONSOLIDATION OF LODGES.

135. 1. When two or more Subordinate Lodges having contiguous or concurrent jurisdiction desire to consolidate and unite as one Lodge, they shall have the right to do so. Before such consolidation shall take place, each Lodge shall give written or printed notice to every member thereof that a proposition is

pending looking to such consolidation. The proposition shall lie over in each Lodge at least one month before being acted upon.

2. When the proposition comes up for consideration, if a majority of those present vote for it, the proposition is adopted; Provided, That if seven or more votes are in the negative in either of the Lodges, the proposition is lost.

3. If the proposition is carried, the Secretary of each Lodge shall promptly notify the other of the action taken, giving a list of brethren present, and the character of each vote, whether aye or no. The vote shall be by ayes and noes, and entered in the records, showing the vote of each member present.

4. If the Lodges vote for consolidation, the consolidated Lodge shall take the number of the elder Lodge and such name as the Grand Master may designate.

5. The Grand Master shall be notified of such favorable action by both Lodges that he may appoint the time and place of meeting of the consolidated Lodge.

6. At such meeting, as above, the officers of the elder Lodge shall preside so far as to open the Lodge, whereupon an election of officers of the consolidated Lodge shall be immediately had, and such officers be installed, and all the details of finance and other matters be established and By-Laws adopted. The consolidated Lodge to take the property and pay the debts of both Lodges.

7. The Secretary of the consolidated Lodge shall immediately report to the Grand Master the action above indicated, and shall forward to the Grand Secretary a full transcript of the proceedings had in the two Lodges relative to consolidation, together with names of officers elected and appointed. Thereupon the Grand Master shall issue a new charter, attested by the Grand Secretary, in which shall be stated the fact of consolidation. The old Charters shall be re-

turned to the Grand Secretary, and by him canceled and retained in the records.

136. These By-Laws, pertaining to Grand or Subordinate Lodges, can only be amended by proposing the change in writing at an Annual Grand Communication; and if, after reference to and report by a committee, it shall be concurred in by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, it shall be from that time a part of these By-Laws.

DECISIONS.

Approved by the Grand Lodge, Except Such as Have Been Rendered Inoperative by or Incorporated in other Legislation.

BY R. W. WOODBURY, 1879.

1. In the absence of law upon the subject, the burial of a suicide may be left to the discretion of the Master.

2. A Subordinate Lodge can, in the absence of law upon the subject, use its discretion as to renting its Lodge room to other societies. (See No. 76.)

3. A second Examining Committee should not be appointed for the same visitor on the same evening, without an explanation to the Master from the first committee, and satisfaction on his part that injustice has been done.

4. The Worshipful Master has the right to refuse admission to members of his Lodge during the progress of work which will be disturbed by their admission.

5. The Grand Lodge Proceedings sent to Subordinate Lodges are the property of the Lodges, and not of any officers or members thereof.

6. The choice of Master is one of the privileges of the brethren, and the request to elect a Worshipful Master from the floor should come from the Lodge and not the Master. (See Decision 166.)

BY B. L. CARR, 1880.

7. It is contrary to Masonic usage for the "Tiler" to sit in the Lodge room after the ceremony of opening is finished, the outer door to the ante-room being securely locked. It is a landmark of Masonry that every Lodge should be "tiled." The Tiler's place is "outside the door."

BY L. N. GREENLEAF. 1881.

8. Either of three Lodges located in towns equi-distant is competent to recommend a petition for a new Lodge, provided the others acquiesce; otherwise, the oldest chartered Lodge to have the precedence.

9. This Grand Lodge as yet exercises no control over the introduction of the Order of the Eastern Star.

10. Master Masons raised in a Lodge under dispensation have all the rights and privileges of those named in the dispensation.

11. Lodges under dispensation can not grant dimitts.

12. A member of a Lodge under dispensation can not withdraw his dimit filed with the petition for dispensation; it is part of the record.

13. An Emergent Grand Lodge can not be opened by proxy in another locality during a communication of the Grand Lodge proper.

14. The signature of the Worshipful Master is not essential to the validity of a dimit, if signed by the Secretary and under seal.

BY R. A. QUILLIAN, 1882.

15. It is competent for a Lodge to receive a petition for affiliation from a Master Mason who has been raised in a jurisdiction that required the signing of the By-Laws, as a condition precedent to becoming a member, and who has failed to sign the By-Laws, and who was not claimed by the Lodge that made him a Mason as a member; but the application for affiliation should be accompanied by a certificate from the former Lodge, setting forth the facts in the case.

16. A petition for dispensation to confer the degrees out of the regular order should be made by

the Lodge and under seal, but it is discretionary with the Grand Master to pass upon the sufficiency of an application by the Master.

17. An applicant for Masonry sent in his petition to the Lodge in whose jurisdiction he then resided. His petition was received and referred to a committee, who reported that he had established a business at another place, and the day after his petition was received his family removed out of the jurisdiction of the Lodge. I held that it was competent for the Lodge to proceed with the case, and, if found worthy, to confer the degrees.

BY J. H. PEABODY, 1885.

18. A candidate who has been rejected for advancement to the second or third degrees may, in the absence of any By-Law of the Lodge, re-apply to the Lodge for examination and advancement at the next subsequent stated meeting, and at each succeeding one thereafter, so long as the "black ball" shall appear, and no objections are filed against him.

19. A member of a Lodge, after being elected to an office, can decline to be installed.

20. Negroes, if free born, are entitled to Masonic recognition, if made in regular Lodges. So-called "Colored Lodges" are held as irregular, and therefore persons belonging to them are not recognizable as Masons.

21. An applicant with one leg five inches shorter than the other is ineligible for initiation.

22. A person who has lost the use of his right arm is ineligible for initiation.

BY GEORGE WYMAN, 1886.

23. Part payment of dues, pending charges for non-payment, does not invalidate charges.

24. The Tiler, if a member of the Lodge, has the same rights as if inside the door.

25. A Lodge receiving a waiver of jurisdiction from some other Lodge, has authority to proceed or waive jurisdiction in favor of a third Lodge.

BY ALBERT H. BRANCH, 1887.

26. A person having lost the little finger of the right hand is eligible for the degrees.

27. A brother can be elected to office whether present or absent, but must be installed in person.

28. The laws of the State of Colorado provide for Masonic Lodges holding real estate. A Lodge should not incorporate to hold real estate or other property, as it would be in violation of Masonic law and usages.

29. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice Degree in one Lodge and applies for membership and advancement in another—his former Lodge having waived jurisdiction and certified to the fact that they conferred said degree—one ballot only is necessary in the Lodge to which said brother so applies, before receiving the Fellow Craft Degree, provided said ballot is clear; the ballot being spread upon the moral, intellectual and Masonic qualifications of the applicant.

BY GEORGE K. KIMBALL, D. G. M., 1887.

30. The issuing of duplicate dimitts is prohibited. Upon proper proof of identity and of the loss or destruction of the original dimit, the Secretary of the Lodge granting the dimit, with the approval of the Worshipful Master, may issue a certificate to the effect that on such a day a dimit was granted to Brother A. B., cause the Lodge seal to be affixed and presented to the applicant.

31. A notice of suspension or expulsion of a brother from a Lodge, not having the seal of the

Lodge attached, and no reason given for not using seal, should not be considered official.

32. A brother living within the jurisdiction of one Lodge can affiliate with another Lodge in another jurisdiction. (See Decision 179.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1887.

33. A waiver of jurisdiction in case of a brother seeking to join in the organization of a new Lodge is improper. If he resides in the place where the new Lodge is to start, he is competent to join in a request for a dispensation. Not joining therein, and yet desiring to become a charter member, the law provides the way.

34. No rule can justly apply to all cases as to what evidence shall be required from a visitor before examination. Masters of Lodges should satisfy themselves in their own way.

35. Masonic Burial of Non-Affiliates.—A Lodge requested to act should use its discretion according to the circumstances. The non-affiliate, possessing no inherent right to the service of the Lodge, the favorable disposition of the brethren should be substantially unanimous, of which the Master should be satisfied by ballot or otherwise. Strong objections by members to the burial of a non-affiliate should not be lightly waived. (See Decision 247.)

BY GEORGE K. KIMBALL, 1888.

36. Charges can be preferred by a member of any Lodge against a member of any other Lodge.

37. A man's residence is where his family resides.

38. The questions required to be answered on the petition to be made a Mason, having been answered by the petitioner, it rests with the Lodge to determine the validity of such answers.

39. An unfavorable ballot cannot be reconsidered on any grounds.

40. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 125 does not refer to druggists selling liquor for medicinal purposes.

41. As to physical qualifications, I decided that the Lodges themselves are the better able to judge of the material brought up for the building of the Temple, and calling their attention to the old Landmarks.

42. An installed officer has no right to demand excuse from serving in his official capacity when present. Should an installed officer refuse to serve when present, you can prefer charges against him for unmasonic conduct.

43. A dispensation cannot be issued to elect and install another in place of an officer so refusing.

44. The Worshipful Master has authority to fill a vacancy caused by the contumacy of any officer.

45. A written objection from a member of a Lodge before ballot is sufficient to prevent the degree being conferred on a candidate for the First Degree.

46. A Lodge may elect as honorary members brethren of other jurisdictions. (See By-Law 130.)

47. A Lodge has power to try for offenses any of its members wherever they may reside; also all Masons resident or sojourning within its jurisdiction, whether affiliated or non-affiliated; but when a member of another Lodge, resident in its jurisdiction, commits an offense, Masonic courtesy requires that when practicable complaint be made to his own Lodge. If that fails to act, then it may proceed to try him itself. (See Decisions 143, 169.)

48. Repealed in 1894.

49. A brother cannot sign the petition for membership, or the degrees for another brother.

50. It is not necessary to open a Lodge on the First Degree when it is known that there is no work on the First and Second Degrees.

BY WILLIAM D. TODD, D. G. M., 1888.

51. That not merely is it unlawful to initiate or affiliate any person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors, but that a Mason, a member of any of our Lodges, who may have started in the business subsequent to the recent action of the Grand Lodge, was amenable to the charge of unmasonic conduct, and subject to such penalty as might be inflicted, after due trial and conviction. (See By-Law 125.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1888.

52. An unfavorable report is not recognized as a dark ballot.

53. That the actual traveling expenses of the Grand Master or his duly appointed representative, while visiting Lodges, be paid by the Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to draw warrants on the Grand Treasurer for the same from time to time.

54a. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge recognizes no degrees in Masonry except those conferred under the regulations of the Grand Lodges of the various states and territories of the United States and the governments throughout the world. It admits the following named organizations, and none other, to be regular and duly constituted Masonic bodies, namely: The General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, the Grand Royal Arch Chapters of the several states and territories of the United States and the Royal Arch Chapters and other bodies under their jurisdiction, the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the several states and territories of

the United States and the Councils under their jurisdiction, the Grand Encampment of the United States, the Grand Commanderies of the several states and territories of the United States and the Commanderies under their jurisdiction, the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern and Southern jurisdictions of the United States, of which Henry L. Palmer and Albert Pike are Sovereign Grand Commanders respectively, and the various bodies under their jurisdiction. (See No. 64.)

54b. Repealed in 1895.

BY WILLIAM D. TODD, GRAND MASTER, 1889.

55. One who has served as Master or Warden anywhere in a chartered Lodge is eligible to election here as Master.

56. That the Master of a Lodge indefinitely suspended and subsequently re-instated is restored to all the rights of a Past Master.

57. That all re-elected officers must be re-installed, except as to the Master, and even as to him if practicable.

58. That a petition for a dispensation for a new Lodge must be accompanied by the recommendation of the *nearest Lodge in an air-line*. (See By-Law 20.)

59. That a ballot found white by the Wardens and Master, but one of the members at once rising and stating he had cast a black ball, must be declared dark.

60. That the loss of the sight of an eye by accident, not impairing the other, does not render a candidate ineligible.

61. That a rejected candidate for affiliation can re-petition at once and as often as he may desire.

62. That one engaged in the business of selling intoxicating liquors, though not conducted by him

personally, or in this state, is ineligible for the degrees. (By-Law 125, and Decisions thereunder.)

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1889.

63. *Question:* Can we bury a brother with Masonic honors where six or eight of the pall-bearers are not Masons?

Answer: No. Masonry is absolute. In answer to correspondence arising out of this, I replied: When Masonic ceremonies are called for, none but Masons in good standing can take part. On such occasions the Lodge is regularly convened, none being admitted but those duly qualified and having permission. The Lodge is not called off, but proceeds to the house, church, or wherever they may be called, take charge of the body (and when they have done so, no one except he be a Mason is admitted), repair to the place of deposit, perform their rites and return to the Lodge room, and the Lodge is closed in form. The Lodge is a Lodge from the time it is opened until it is closed. (Kimball, 1888, approved by the Grand Lodge, 1889.)

64. "At the last session of this Grand Lodge it placed on record a resolution declaring what degrees in Masonry it will recognize; and your committee are of the opinion that no *so-called* Masonic bodies, other than those mentioned in that resolution, can be considered, in any sense, 'Masonic Bodies' in this state."

"Your committee are of the opinion that that resolution should be sufficient to prevent any good Masons paying allegiance to this Grand Lodge, from hereafter becoming members of any bodies claiming to be Masonic, other than those mentioned in that resolution." (See No. 54a.)

65. *Resolved*, That the clause "take the usual course," at the end of Section 61 of By-Laws, be interpreted to mean that the written petition of the

applicant be referred to an Investigating Committee of three members, which committee shall submit a report within one lunar month, as in the case of other petitions for the degrees.

66. Under Section 98, the question of guilt or innocence is to be decided by ballot, and a two-thirds vote is necessary to convict. Under Section 99, the degree of punishment must be determined by a two-thirds vote of the Lodge, whether it be expulsion, indefinite or definite suspension, and the Lodge having convicted a brother of Masonic offense would be guilty of a gross neglect of its Masonic duties should it fail to inflict one of the punishments provided by Section 106, and one which, upon a regular appeal, would subject the Lodge to discipline.

67. *Resolved*, That Most Worshipful Brother H. P. H. Bromwell, Past Grand Master of Illinois, and at present a member of Denver Lodge No. 5, of Denver, Colorado, be and he is hereby declared duly elected as an honorary member of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

BY W. T. BRIDWELL, 1890.

68. A committee appointed by a Lodge to collect testimony can exclude from its meetings all brethren not directly interested in the matter.

69. A brother having served a Lodge as Warden is eligible to election as Master, but aside from this occupies no higher place in the Lodge than any other member.

70. In the absence of general law on the subject, each Lodge has the right to limit the time before which a rejected applicant may apply again; but in the absence of any law, he may apply at any time. (See By-Laws 68 and 69.)

71. Expulsion by a Lodge is from all the rights, privileges and benefits of Masonry, and is final unless reversed by the Grand Lodge. The Lodge

should send notice of such action to other branches of the order of which the expelled was a member.

72. A brother having received one or more degrees and removes from the jurisdiction of the Lodge which received him, remains the material of that Lodge, regardless of where he may go.

73. A Lodge having suspended one of its members for non-payment of dues, cannot in after years remit the amount and restore him to good standing. Suspended or expelled Masons are not worthy objects of Masonic charity.

74. To determine the sufficiency of an objection after ballot, have the case heard by your Lodge in accordance with Section 73, Grand Lodge By-Laws. A unanimous vote will be necessary to entitle the candidate to advancement, the objector not being permitted to vote.

75. Objections to the advancement of a candidate after ballot should be investigated by the Lodge. It is optional with the Master to order charges preferred and enter into a formal trial, or he can order an investigation without the formality of charges. (See By-Law 73.)

76. It is contrary to Masonic custom for Masons to lease their Lodge room for dancing or any other secular purposes. . . . A Masonic Lodge room is a sacred place; and should be regarded with the same degree of respect whether the Fraternity owns the building or leases it.

77. A person having lost the first joint of the thumb or the first three fingers of his right hand is ineligible to be made a Mason.

78. The Tramp Mason.—Lodges should be informed as to the worthiness of such applicants before lending assistance. In all such cases where actual necessity is not manifest, it is not charity to give.

79. A Mason carrying a dimit in this jurisdiction more than one year, without petitioning for affiliation, has no legal claim on the Fraternity.

80. There is no law requiring a Mason to state his reason for applying for a dimit. He enters the Lodge of his own volition, and can not be compelled to remain a member should he elect otherwise.

81. A certificate of good standing is not sufficient evidence for a Lodge to admit a visitor upon. If his regard for Masonry is not sufficient to prompt him to acquire a sufficient degree of Masonic intelligence to make himself known, he does not merit recognition.

82. A Lodge cannot entertain a petition from an applicant who has not resided twelve months within its jurisdiction. This is prohibited by Grand Lodge By-Law No. 55.

83. *Question:* Has one Mason the right to go on the witness stand in a criminal case and attempt to impeach the testimony of another Mason without first informing him that he would do so? *Answer:* If the first witness had testified falsely, and by such testimony attempted to defeat the end of justice, it would be the duty of the second witness to expose such testimony; but if the testimony of the first witness was correct, the second witness was guilty of gross unmasonic conduct, and he should be dealt with accordingly.

84. *Question:* A Mason commits homicide, is tried by the Court and acquitted. Can we accept this as sufficient, or should the Lodge hold an investigation? *Answer:* Yes. The Lodge should take cognizance of the matter regardless of the action of the Court. Courts may err through prejudice, releasing the guilty and punishing the innocent. This does not afford an example for a Masonic Lodge to pattern after. (See No. 110.)

85. Lodges desiring to hold real estate should consult Laws of Colorado, session of 1879, pages 110 and 111.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1890.

86. By-Law 125 was construed to include all persons engaged in *the business* of selling intoxicating liquors, and to all others, in any business, selling intoxicating liquors *as beverages*.

BY E. L. N. FOSTER, 1891.

87. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice Degree in another jurisdiction, is their material, and the Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees can only be conferred on him in one of two ways:

First—The Lodge which conferred the first degree can make a request to another Lodge to confer the remaining degrees, when no ballot should be taken as to the qualifications of the candidate, but a majority vote of the Lodge to do the work would be proper; the candidate could then become a member of the Lodge making the request, and the fee should be paid to it. The Lodge, however, should require proficiency in each preceding degree before conferring the next.

Second—The Lodge can ask waiver of jurisdiction, which being granted, the candidate can petition in the regular way, setting forth the additional facts, accompanied by a certificate of the Lodge that conferred the first degree.

88. A request for waiver of jurisdiction must be made before ballot.

89. A brother can not completely sever his connection with the Fraternity; there is no way by which he can be relieved of his obligations.

90. Lodges under dispensation can not collect dues, as they have no By-Laws. They are governed by the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

91. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge has authority to discharge an investigating committee

when it fails to report, but it should only be done in exceptional cases; it is better to give the old committee further time.

92. A Lodge is not legally compelled to pay the funeral expenses of a brother, even though one of its own members, but can dispense its charity in the way it deems best.

93. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge errs in refusing to allow a member to examine the Lodge records.

94. A Lodge cannot appear as such, to escort a Commandery of Knights Templar performing funeral services. If Master Masons attend a funeral as a Lodge, they must have charge of the ceremonies.

95. Section 55, Grand Lodge By-Laws, refers to petitions for initiation only.

96. As no colored Lodges have been recognized in this jurisdiction, it is improper to permit the use of our Lodge rooms to install the officers of so-called colored Lodges.

97. The regularly elected and appointed officers of a Lodge, with the exception of a Tiler, must be members.

98. The absence of the letter of dispensation of a Lodge renders the meeting irregular, and any work done illegal.

99. A candidate initiated when the letter of dispensation was absent is irregularly made, and should be healed before proceeding further.

100. It is unnecessary to obtain a permit from the Grand Master for a Past Master to install the regularly elected officers of a Lodge. (See Decision 167.)

101. The geographical jurisdiction of Lodges under dispensation is the same as that of chartered Lodges.

102. When it is discovered that a petitioner for the degrees resides without the jurisdiction of

the Lodge which received his petition, the fact should be spread upon the minutes, and provided a waiver of jurisdiction can not be obtained, the petition and fee should be returned to the petitioner, with the information that if he desires the degrees, he must apply to the Lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides.

BY JOHN M. MAXWELL, 1892.

103. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 56 covers petitions for affiliation, and as a dimit is made a part of the petition for affiliation under Grand Lodge By-Law No. 59, the dimit cannot be returned to the petitioner unless his petition should be rejected.

104. No authority is vested in the Grand Master to appoint officers of a Subordinate Lodge to act during the temporary absence of the officers of the Lodge.

105. Only those whose names appear in the dispensation, and those raised under it, can vote upon petitions for the degrees in Lodges under dispensation.

106. An annual election in a Subordinate Lodge held at any other time than that designated by the By-Laws of the Lodge, is irregular and void, unless such election is held by virtue of a special dispensation granted by the Grand Master. (See By-Law 42a.)

107. The Secretary of a Lodge has no authority to issue summonses for any purposes, unless instructed so to do by the Worshipful Master, or the Lodge. (See By-Law 90.)

108. The election to the Mastership of a brother ineligible to hold that office, unless by special dispensation granted by the Grand Master, is irregular and void.

109. A Lodge having elected a member to the office of Senior Warden, upon the refusal of the brother to be installed, cannot at a date subsequent

to the date for its annual election, elect any one else to that office, except by special dispensation granted by the Grand Master.

110. It is the duty of a Lodge to proceed with the trial of a brother charged with a Masonic offense regardless of the action or non-action of the courts of the state. (See No. 84.)

111. A brother having made application to his Lodge for a dimit, can withdraw his application at any time before the Lodge has taken action upon it.

112. A Junior Warden cannot prefer charges in his official capacity, except by order of the Lodge.

113. A Lodge under dispensation cannot act upon a petition for initiation unless the applicant has resided within the jurisdiction of the Lodge under dispensation during the preceding twelve months. (See By-Law 55.)

114. A man who has lost the left hand at the wrist, is ineligible to be made a Mason.

115. A Lodge cannot entertain the petition of one who is acting as the agent of a brewing company, and as such selling bottled beer by the barrel. (See By-Law 125. Decisions 115, 132, 172, 239.)

116. The doctrine of "perpetual jurisdiction" is not recognized in this jurisdiction.

117. Repealed in 1894.

118. A brother bringing himself within the requirements of Grand Lodge By-Law No. 85, is entitled to a dimit, although he has failed to pay an assessment levied by the Lodge, and the Worshipful Master of the Lodge should not refuse to sign or withhold the dimit.

119. A man who is deformed by one leg being shorter than the other, is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

120. A man who has lost the first two fingers of his right hand is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

121. A "physically defective man," being very lame, is not eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1892.

122. It is clearly the duty of the Master of a Lodge to suspend from office an officer of his Lodge for unbecoming or unmasonic conduct, in advance of charges and trial for such conduct. (See Decision 155.)

123. It is unlawful to receive the petition to be made a Mason of a man engaged in selling liquor on commission. (See By-Law 125.)

124. A Masonic apron should be of white leather only. We recommend that the presentation of the apron in the First Degree be an actual presentation, and that it be made the duty of the Secretary of the Lodge to inscribe or have inscribed upon the under side of it the name of the brother receiving it, together with the date of his initiation, to which shall be added the date of his passing and raising when the same shall have been accomplished.

125. That hereafter, in making the annual returns, the Secretaries of all the Lodges be required to report the ages of all the members. (See By-Law 37.)

BY W. D. WRIGHT, 1893.

126. A Lodge, as such, has no authority to attend funeral services held at a church in connection with other societies, the remains of the brother to be afterwards shipped away for burial.

127. After a portion of the Entered Apprentice Degree had been conferred upon a candidate, it was discovered that he had lost the first two joints of the forefinger of his right hand. He was returned to the preparation room, proceedings stopped, and the matter submitted to the Grand Master. I held

that, having in view all the circumstances of the case, he could be made a Mason.

128. Repealed in 1894.

129. *Question:* Can a Lodge, having opened on regular meeting night (Tuesday), be then called from labor to refreshment, to meet again the following Monday at the sound of the gavel in the East?

Answer: No.

130. A Lodge can try a brother after his term of office has expired, for a Masonic offense committed while he was Worshipful Master.

131. In a case where defective hearing compelled a candidate to resort to an artificial device to enable him to hear a whisper: Held, that a Lodge was better able to judge of his qualifications in that respect. (See By-Law 148.)

132. *Question:* Is a stockholder in a brewery, a corporation making and selling beer, eligible to receive the degrees in Masonry under our laws, the person not being in any way actively connected with the business of making or selling the beer, but owning the stock only as an investment?

Answer: No. (See By-Law 125, and Decisions 115, 172, 239.)

133. A brother having died while regularly under suspension for non-payment of dues cannot afterwards be reinstated by his Lodge.

134. Any prior arrangement or understanding by which a candidate is to have the fees paid for the degrees in Masonry refunded to him, is unmasonic.

135. In a Masonic trial the Lodge is not governed by technical rules of evidence. Anything properly tending to throw light upon the facts and bring out the truth should be admitted in evidence.

136. A Grand Master as such cannot properly interfere with or undertake to settle business differences between individual Masons.

137. A brother past sixty years of age, in the absence of any Lodge By-Law governing, is not exempt from Lodge dues.

138. In the absence of the Master, the Senior or Junior Warden being present, may, through courtesy or from any cause in the discretion of the Warden, request a Past Master to open as well as preside over the Lodge.

139. In case of an applicant who had lost the first three fingers of his left hand, calling attention to Grand Lodge By-Law No. 74, and to the Ancient Landmarks and Regulations of Masonry, he left the Lodge to be the judge as to the physical qualifications. (See No. 148.)

140. Repealed in 1894.

141. When a brother, against whom no charges are pending pays all Lodge dues and regularly makes application for a dimit, a written objection by an individual brother is not a bar to the issuance of such dimit. If the matters he bases his objections on are serious enough to warrant such course, and if the objecting brother wishes to prefer charges, he should be given reasonable opportunity to do so.

142. Upon the petition of an unmarried man, stating that he was and had for years been a resident within the jurisdiction of the Lodge, he was duly elected and received the Entered Apprentice Degree. Afterwards, and because it appeared that the petitioner had made a homestead filing on land within its jurisdiction, which homestead he had also claimed as his residence, a second Lodge claimed him as its material. The first Lodge so far conceded such claim as to have turned over the initiation fee to the second Lodge, which latter Lodge I was advised, expected to confer the Second Degree on said applicant, at the time the matter was submitted to me.

Held: That the applicant in his petition having claimed his residence within its jurisdiction, and being still an actual resident there, said first Lodge having acted in good faith, was entitled to the initiation fee, and the applicant was its material, and if

permitted to proceed further, the remaining degrees should be conferred upon him by said first Lodge.

143. A Lodge in this jurisdiction, before proceeding with trial, in case of a brother belonging to a Lodge in another jurisdiction, should notify his Lodge, and afford it ample opportunity to be represented in any proper way, if it so wishes, in the trial of one of its members. (See Nos. 47 and 169.)

144. The word "finding," as used in Section 100 of Grand Lodge By-Laws, means a finding of the different facts, which, in the opinion of the commission, seem to be established by the evidence, the Lodge having the sole right to determine, upon said finding of facts, the question of guilt or innocence.

145. It would be improper for a brother who must be a witness upon the trial, to serve as one of the commission to whom the case is referred, and thus be in a position of passing judgment upon the merits of his own testimony.

146. Lodge having opened on the first degree, and having work in that degree fully prepared, may proceed with initiation before opening on the third degree, or may open on the third and afterwards reopen on the first for the purpose of work.

147. In a case where five brothers signed charges, as Grand Lodge By-Law, Section 95, provides that charges "must be signed by the accuser," and Section 97 further provides that at the conclusion of the trial both the accused and the accuser shall retire; held, that if the case submitted should be carried to a conclusion in its present shape, the five brothers who have signed such charges could not be permitted to vote upon the final determination of the case.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1893.

148. While it be eminently proper that Subordinate Lodges determine the eligibility for the degrees of candidates, that they must nevertheless

always be governed by the spirit of the law, which provides "that he must not be incapable of learning the art and becoming perfect in the work." (See By-Law 742, Decision 259.)

149. In the case of a brother known to be unable to pay, his Lodge may remit and release him from payment of Lodge dues, provided that there be no By-Law of the Lodge prohibiting such action.

150. The proposed Worshipful Master of any new Lodge, before receiving the recommendation of any other Lodge for a dispensation, shall present to that Lodge a certificate from the Grand Lecturer that he is proficient in the esoteric work of this jurisdiction in addition to the other requirements. (See By-Law 20.)

151. An Entered Apprentice desiring to take the remaining degrees in a Lodge other than the Lodge conferring the first degree, is not required to reside in the new jurisdiction twelve months before applying.

BY J. C. SANFORD, 1894.

152. A brother having received the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees in 1890, it is proper to confer the degrees upon him regardless of the time which has elapsed. (See By-Law 39.)

153. No Mason can be deprived of any Masonic right except by ballot. (See By-Law 94.)

154. A brother was sentenced to receive a reprimand in open Lodge at the following Stated Communication. The brother failed to present himself or give any cause for not being present as instructed by the Worshipful Master. What course should we pursue?

Answer: Issue summons for him to appear at the next Stated Communication, and should he refuse to obey, the Lodge should at once prefer charges for contumacy. A Lodge must itself execute the sentence it has itself imposed. (See By-Law 108.)

155. The Worshipful Master of a Lodge has the power and authority to suspend any of its officers from office, pending charges and fill the vacancy *pro tem*, until the charges are disposed of. He must announce each suspension in open Lodge and have the same entered of record in the minutes of that communication. (See Decision 122.)

156. The decision of the Worshipful Master in his Lodge is final, but an appeal always lies from such decisions to the Grand Lodge.

157. It is proper for the Worshipful Master of a Lodge to resign the chair to the Senior Warden, who is not a Past Master, during the trial of a brother for a Masonic offense, there being other regular Past Masters present, and the Master remain upon the floor and take part in the proceedings the same as other members.

158. It is not only right but the duty of the Worshipful Master to appoint some brother to represent the accused as counsel during his absence in a Masonic trial. This, however, should not be a bar to other members who might desire to be heard upon the subject. (See By-Law 104.)

159. The Worshipful Master has the right to excuse any member from the Lodge room after trial has begun and before the ballot is taken upon the guilt or innocence of the accused.

160. A brother having had charges preferred against him for unmasonic conduct at a Stated Communication, may be summoned to appear and answer the charges at either a Stated or Called Communication. (See No. 232.)

161. *Question:* After the accused has plead "not guilty," can the Lodge hold the trial at a special meeting, or may they proceed with the trial at the same meeting that the accused enters plea of "not guilty?"

Answer: Should the accused waive lawful notice, the mutual agreement between him and the

Lodge is sufficient to proceed with the trial; but should the accused insist upon going to trial at once, and the Lodge is not ready, the Master must exercise his right to postpone. In this case lawful notice must be given to the accused. A trial may take place at either a Stated or Called Communication, so that the communication has been set apart for the purpose. (See By-Law 96.)

162. *Question:* Is it necessary for each member of a Lodge to have notice of the time and place of a Masonic trial? If so, which is proper, a notice or a summons?

Answer: Members should be notified to attend when business is to be transacted which is of great importance and of vital interest to the welfare of the Lodge. Summons should be used only in extreme cases or actual necessity.

163. It is not necessary that the accused be furnished with a list of witnesses who will testify against him at a trial for unmasonic conduct.

164. The written application for a dimit (as provided for in Section 85, Grand Lodge By-Laws), should be presented at a Stated Communication of the Lodge. The mere filing of any paper with the Secretary does not make it officially received until he has read the same in open Lodge, by and with the consent of the Worshipful Master.

165. Expulsion by a Lodge is from all the rights, privileges and benefits of Masonry, and is final, unless reversed by the Grand Lodge. Such sentence begins its effect *immediately* upon the decision of the Lodge having jurisdiction, and is in no wise affected by the demand of the accused for an appeal to the Grand Lodge. (See By-Law 107.)

166. In the absence of the letter of dispensation from the Grand Master, the election of a brother from the floor to the Mastership is null and void. (See Decision 6.)

167. When not public, a Past Master may, when invited by proper authority, install the officers of a chartered Lodge without commission or dispensation of the Grand Master. (See Decision No. 100.)

168. Lodge A. accepted the petition of Mr. F., who is a county official. He has resided continuously for three years within the jurisdiction of Lodge B. He owns and claims as his home a ranch within the jurisdiction of Lodge A., and has also kept that as his legal residence or voting place. Has Lodge A., by receiving said petition, trespassed upon the jurisdiction of Lodge B?

Held: That as the official duties of the applicant compelled him to reside within the jurisdiction of Lodge B., it was but a temporary or forced residence, and as he had not changed his legal residence, he was material of Lodge A.

169. *Question:* Can Lodge A. try a member of Lodge B. for unmasonic conduct, both Lodges being in the same jurisdiction and but eighteen miles apart; Lodge A. first obtaining a waiver of jurisdiction from Lodge B., who granted the same immediately, or without first notifying the accused brother of the request. Did Lodge B. err in its action?

Answer: By-Law 84 reads: "The conduct of all Masons shall subject them to discipline by the Lodge within whose jurisdiction they reside," etc. That decision No. 47 refers to either the territorial jurisdiction of a Lodge (which is bounded by geographical centers between it and contiguous Lodges), or the political boundaries of the several states (which have been by unanimous consent defined as the limits of the several Grand Lodge jurisdictions.) That inasmuch as Lodge A. has complied with all the requirements of both courtesy and otherwise as provided for by Decision No. 143, and Lodge B. had waived any rights they may have had or could assume over one of its members to Lodge A., it could proceed with the trial as though the accused was one of its own members. Without judging upon the

merits of the case, it would seem that Masonic courtesy and brotherly regard for one of its members should have prompted Lodge B. to give the accused brother an opportunity to explain.

170. It is not necessarily a qualification for the newly elected Master of a Lodge to receive the Past Master's degree before he can preside, but it is recommended that he should receive it as soon as practicable after installation. (See By-Law 48.)

171. *Question:* A Chapter Mason and member of a Lodge was elected, installed and served one year as Master. Is he then an actual Past Master? And can he assist in the conferring of the Past Master's Degree?

Answer: Literally speaking, a brother having been elected and served one year as Worshipful Master is a Past Master, but not having received the Past Master's Degree is not entitled to sit in a Lodge of Past Masters. Nor does the Past Master's Degree conferred in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons invest the brother with any rank or authority in a Lodge of Master Masons.

172. *Question:* A brother presents a dimit and petition for affiliation, the Committee on Character finds that he is the proprietor of a hotel and keeps a bar in connection therewith. Have we a right to accept him a member?

Answer: No. (See By-Law 125, and Decisions 115, 132, 239.)

173. *Question:* In casting a ballot for the passing or raising of a brother, what question is voted upon—the examination in the lecture of last degree received, or the intellectual, moral and Masonic qualifications?

Answer: Grand Lodge By-Law No. 65 is based upon the theory that conditions may change with a candidate from the time in which he received the First Degree, or Second, and presents himself for advancement; or, in other words, he is put upon probation. Therefore, the ballot is spread for each degree

upon the intellectual, moral and Masonic qualifications, etc.

The silent acquiescence of the Lodge or Master would be sufficient evidence that the brother had passed a satisfactory examination as provided for by Section 75. Providing that no degree shall be conferred until ballot be spread as provided for by Section 65.

174. Grand Lodge By-Laws No. 65 and 66 apply to petitions for affiliation as well as for initiation.

175. A brother desiring to affiliate with a Lodge in this jurisdiction, and whose Lodge is not permitted to issue a dimit, should present with his petition a certificate of good standing and statement of facts.

Should action upon his petition be favorable, the Secretary should, under seal of the Lodge, request the brother's dimit, and when received cancel the same as provided for by By-Law 89.

176. A man whose left arm has been amputated at the wrist is ineligible to be made a Mason.

177. *Question:* How should a Lodge proceed to prefer charges against a brother for unmasonic conduct for an offense committed against one of its members within the jurisdiction of the Lodge other than the one in which either resides—the offending member holding his membership outside the state?

Answer: Have your Lodge prepare the charges and specifications, together with all collateral testimony, and forward the same to the Lodge nearest the residence of the accused, with the request that they proceed with the formalities of the trial, your Lodge being represented by the Junior Warden of the trial Lodge.

178. *Question:* A petition was received in due form for initiation, the petition was referred to a committee of investigation, which was unable to locate the petitioner until a communication was re-

ceived from him seven months after date of his petition. He then stated that he had removed from the state and would not return to Colorado, and requesting that the fee which accompanied his petition be returned to him.

First—Can the fee be returned to him without the Lodge having first acted upon his petition?

Answer: No. (See Grand Lodge By-Law No. 56.) (See No. 238.)

Should you return the fee, you would virtually withdraw the petition. The petition being in regular form, and your Lodge had jurisdiction, there is but one way to dispose of it, to-wit, by ballot.

Second—Should action upon the petition be favorable, what should be the method of procedure?

Answer: Have your Secretary, when notifying him of his election, call his attention to Grand Lodge By-Law No. 60, and if it should be impossible for him to be present to receive the degree in your Lodge, upon request from him your Lodge would request a Lodge near his new place of residence to do the work for you.

Third—Would the Lodge be justified in taking action upon the petition by the committee reporting that they were unable to locate the petitioner?

Answer: No. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 62 prescribes the form of report, and in order that your Lodge may have the necessary information, your committee should correspond with either a Masonic Lodge or individual Masons near his place of residence. This information, and such as they could glean from the members recommending the petition, would be sufficient for your Lodge to act upon.

179. A brother residing within the jurisdiction of one Lodge has the right, and it is his privilege, to affiliate with and become a member of any Lodge in another jurisdiction, Grand or Subordinate, that he may select. By uniting with a Lodge, no matter how distant, he complies with the obligation of affli-

ation, and by thus contributing to the support of the institution he discharges his duty as a Mason and becomes entitled to all the privileges of the order. (See Decision 32.)

180. *Question:* A member of our Lodge was one of the number to whom a charter was granted at the last session of the Grand Lodge. Said member was in arrears for dues for more than one year, and had never received a certificate of good standing from our Lodge. Is he not still a member of our Lodge?

Answer: The Grand Lodge, having granted a charter for a new Lodge, and the brother's name being among the number to whom the same was granted, his membership immediately ceased in your Lodge and began in the new. (See By-Law 22.)

181. A man having a deformed right hand, with fingers but one inch in length, is ineligible to be made a Mason.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1894.

182. Three Master Masons may open a Lodge and transact business.

183. St. John's Day is only a festival day of the Craft, and not a day for labor or the transaction of Lodge business, unless it falls on the day for the Stated Communication.

184. The members of a Lodge should be allowed to exercise their judgment in the bestowal of charity. If a Lodge, by a majority vote, wishes to contribute to the funeral expenses of a deceased suspended Mason, they should be allowed to do so.

185. An expelled Mason, or his representative, on his request and at his expense, can have a transcript of the testimony furnished the Grand Lodge, in connection with the petition and recommendation for reinstatement. (See By-Law 110.)

186. The apron shall be worn over the outer garment.

187. Hereafter, this Grand Lodge, through the office of its Grand Secretary, shall supply each Subordinate Lodge, upon request, all blank books and blanks that are necessary, at the actual cost thereof, and from and after January 1, 1895, the use of all other forms of books and blanks shall be forbidden; *provided*, that this edict shall not prevent any Lodge continuing the use of such books of record and ledgers as they now have, but they shall in future supply themselves as herein provided. A committee of three shall be appointed to prepare such set of forms, which, when approved by the Grand Master, shall be the approved forms as herein provided for.

188. The practice of life membership, by which a member is exempted from all future payment of dues, by paying a fixed sum in cash, is against all the best interests of Masonry. Therefore, the same is from this time forbidden; *provided*, however, that this action shall not in any way affect life memberships heretofore granted.

BY W. L. BUSH, 1895.

189. The Master elect assumes the duties of his office as soon as he is installed.

190. "A," a single man, resided in "K" county, receiving a federal appointment, he moves his effects to "P" county and there lives, as his official duties require, but for political purposes retains his residence in "K" county. After being in "P" county several months (less than twelve), he petitions a Masonic Lodge in "P" county for initiation, accompanying same by consent and waiver of jurisdiction of Lodge having jurisdiction of town in "K" county, where "A" formerly lived.

Question 1: Can Lodge in "P" county receive and act upon petition?

Answer: No. Under Grand Lodge By-Law No. 55, he must have resided twelve months within the jurisdiction of the Lodge to which he petitions.

Question 2: If not, can it receive and act upon his petition after he has been in "P" county twelve months?

Answer: Yes, provided the petition is accompanied by a waiver of jurisdiction from the Lodge where he claims his residence.

Question 3: What is the Masonic residence of a single man?

Answer: A single man's residence is where he votes.

191. A Lodge can not receive shares of stock or outstanding bonds of a Masonic Temple or Building Association in payment of the fees for the degrees.

192. A Worshipful Master can not dismiss the charges against a brother. The Lodge must proceed to trial, unless the charges are ordered dismissed by a two-thirds vote of the Lodge.

193. A petition for waiver of jurisdiction may be acted upon at the same meeting at which it is received.

194. A Lodge may suspend a brother for non-payment of dues, after due charges, trial and conviction, at any time during the year 1895, when he is owing for the years 1894 and 1895. The Lodge By-Laws providing for the payment of dues annually in advance.

195. Where two or more Lodges hold concurrent jurisdiction in a city, their jurisdiction would extend by an air line one-half way from the city limits to surrounding Lodges.

196. Under Section 71 of Grand Lodge By-Laws objection may be made to the advancement of a candidate at any time, either before or after a ballot is taken for his advancement.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1895.

197. Whereas, There are business organizations operating within the jurisdiction of this Grand

Lodge under various titles, but claiming to be Masonic in character, such as "The Masonic Benefit Association," "The Masonic Accident Association," "The Masons Fraternal Accident Association," "Masonic Restaurant," and others of like character,

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge hereby notifies the Masons within its jurisdiction that all such organizations, corporations or societies are using the word "Masonic" in their titles without any right whatever, so far as this Grand Lodge is concerned, and that we deprecate the use of the term in a business connection as wrong and unmasonic.

BY W. D. PEIRCE, 1896.

198. In the absence of the Worshipful Master and Wardens, a Past Master cannot open the Lodge. Past Masters possess no greater authority in this respect than any other member.

199. By-Law No. 122 applies to Masons who were dropped from the rolls of Lodges for non-payment of dues, prior to September 19, 1883.

200. It is a Masonic offense for the Master or Wardens of a Lodge to make known to any one the number of black balls cast in rejection of an applicant. A brother seeking such information is subject to discipline.

201. It is not proper for Secretaries to give copies of testimony taken in Masonic trials, to members or profanes, without the consent of the Lodge. In which event the Lodge will be governed by By-Law No. 109.

202. In Masonic trials, the charges and specifications should be spread at length upon the records, but not the testimony. The testimony shall be taken in writing and placed on file, as it is the property of the Lodge; if no appeal is taken, the testimony, by vote of the Lodge, may be destroyed.

203. The Worshipful Master has the right to call either of the Wardens, or invite a competent brother from the floor to the East, and permit him to confer the degrees. In case a brother is called from the floor, one of the three principal officers must be and remain present.

204. A Lodge cannot hold a Stated Communication at a different hour from that named in its By-Laws.

205. The Masonic standing of any brother, be he Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft or Master Mason, is only impaired by sentence of a Lodge after due trial.

206. It is not a necessary qualification that the proposed Worshipful Master of a Lodge Under Dispensation be a Past Master or Past Warden, nor is this qualification necessary at the constitution of a new Lodge.

207. If a deceased brother is to be sent to some distant point for burial, the brethren may, out of respect of his memory, open the Lodge, form procession and escort the remains to the railway depot, or other convenient place of transit, and then return to the Lodge room, closing in due form.

208. There is no objection to a Lodge using its hall and adjoining rooms for innocent social pleasures, such use being restricted to Masons, their families and invited guests.

209. It is not regular, nor does it conform to the Ritual, to open the Lodge on the First Degree and then open on the Third Degree, omitting the Second Degree. The proper form, when there is work on the First and Third Degrees, is to open on the Second Degree also.

210. Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges may issue to the widows and orphans of deceased members, who were in good standing, certificates to that effect, with the seal of the Lodge attached.

211. A brother, to be reinstated in the Lodge from which he was regularly suspended for non-payment of dues must—

First—Obtain recognition, by paying all dues to date of suspension.

Second—Regularly petition the Lodge for reinstatement, and the petition must lie over one lunar month before ballot.

Third—A two-thirds vote of all members present must be favorable to reinstate.

Should the Lodge refuse to reinstate the brother,

First—He may renew his petition at any Stated Communication.

Second—The money paid over to cover the amount of arrearage belongs to the Lodge, and can not be returned to him, except by a majority vote of the members present.

Third—The law of this Grand Jurisdiction does not seek to take away the prerogatives of a Lodge, by compelling it to reinstate against its will its former members.

Fourth—His status is, if the dues are held or returned, a suspended Mason.

BY THE GRAND LODGE, 1896.

212. In the absence of any work on the degrees, one of the principal officers of the Lodge is required, at least once in every two months, to deliver one of the three lectures of the degrees, in their order, and so report to the Grand Lecturer.

213. No Lodge shall incur any indebtedness beyond \$10 per capita, without the approval of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge.

214. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall be required to furnish surety on their official bonds of some reliable surety company, to be approved by the Grand Master, the premium therefor to be paid as other expenses of the Grand Lodge.

215. Any real or personal property acquired by the Grand Lodge may be sold at any time, at such price and on such terms as may be satisfactory to the four principal officers of the Grand Lodge, or a majority of them.

BY GEORGE W. ROE, 1897.

216. No Representative to the Grand Lodge, or Grand Lodge Officer, traveling on a pass, is entitled to mileage.

217. In this Grand Jurisdiction, the holding of a dimit more than one year by a brother does not invalidate the same.

218. No Lodge shall affiliate or admit as a visitor a Mason hailing from and made in any Lodge chartered by the Gran Dieta of Mexico.

219. Question—Lodge R. asked Lodge E. for a waiver of jurisdiction, which, being balloted on, was not granted. Lodge R. immediately made a second request for a waiver in the same case. Does Lodge E. have to wait six months before it can ballot on the second request? Answer—No.

220. When spreading a ballot and either the black or white balls become exhausted before the ballot is completed, thereby giving no choice of ballot, it is illegal.

221. So long as a man is physically qualified and of sound mind, he is not debarred by reason of old age from becoming a Mason.

222. It is the duty of the Worshipful Master to see before spreading the ballot that there is a sufficient number of black and white balls in the box to secure a unanimous ballot, either "black" or "white," should the members so select. Upon spreading the ballot as to the guilt or innocence of a brother, a member arose and informed the Worshipful Master that he had no choice, there being no access to the black balls, whereupon the Master ordered the box

taken to the Wardens and ballots counted, and then proceeded with the ballot from where it was stopped, and upon being counted resulted in a verdict of not guilty, lacking only four ballots of the necessary two-thirds for conviction. *Held*, that the verdict of "not guilty" should be set aside on account of material irregularity in the proceedings, in not arranging for a free and full expression of the members present, according to their convictions, and declared all proceedings had as null and void, and ordered a new trial upon the charges and specifications, and at the second trial such testimony as was in the hands of the Secretary and verified by the witnesses at the former trial should be admitted in evidence at the time, without taking it down in writing a second time.

223. A man who has lost his left foot at the ankle is ineligible to be made a Mason.

224. A person who has lost the third finger of his right hand is eligible to receive the degrees of Masonry.

BY THE GRAND LODGE.

225. Lodge records should not show the character of the report of investigating committees. The record should only show that the report was made.

BY CROMWELL TUCKER, 1898.

226. A profane who has petitioned a lodge for initiation, and said lodge becomes defunct before the petition is acted upon and returns him the fee, may apply at once to another lodge, having the same territorial jurisdiction as the one first petitioned.

227. It is not permissible for a lodge to hold alternate communications in two separate municipalities, even if closely adjacent.

228. A blind man is not eligible to petition for the degrees in Masonry.

229. A man who has lost the last three fingers and the first joint of the index finger of the left hand, is not eligible to be made a Mason.

230. *Written* notice to each member of a lodge, of time of a Masonic trial, is sufficient under ordinary circumstances. If extraordinary complications exist, or arise during the progress of trial, the Worshipful Master should use his judgment as to issue of summons.

231. Personal service of summons should be made on all resident members. If the attendance of members, living at a distance, is necessary, service by mail, to the last known address, is sufficient.

232. If use of the mails is necessary for the service of charges, or other notices, on an accused brother, the letter, or package, should be registered.

233. If an accused brother pleads guilty, such evidence as can be obtained to prove the extent of his offense, should be submitted to the lodge, so that the members may use due judgment in determining the proper degree of punishment to be inflicted.

234. There is nothing in our laws which would prevent a lodge from sub-renting a hall from the Knights of Pythias, if desirable to do so; *provided*, the location is a proper one, and the hall is in every way suitable.

235. A lodge should not admit any visitor without due examination; except upon the voucher direct, or through another brother, of a brother who has sat in a lodge with, or has properly examined him, and knows him to be in good standing. The voucher of a brother who may have met him in the Consistory, Commandery, Council or Chapter, and has no other knowledge of his standing in the lodge, is not lawful information.

236. It is not permissible for officers to wear their jewels of office, and the members to wear their aprons, at a public entertainment given by their lodge.

237. It would not be proper for a lodge to join in presenting a petition to the Senate of the United States, or to take part in National, State or Municipal affairs.

238. It is necessary for a lodge to ballot on every petition for initiation, no matter what the report of the committee may be. Applications of rejected candidates and the findings of the committee, should not, under any circumstances, be surrendered to the applicant; such documents being the sole property of the lodge.

239. Grand Lodge By-Law No. 125, and the decisions thereunder, expressly provide that no person engaged in, or profiting by, the sale of intoxicating liquors, can be admitted to membership, either by petition for the degrees, or for affiliation; hence, the petition of a stockholder of a corporation engaged, either wholly or partially, in such prohibited business, can not be entertained, nor can the petition of an employee of such corporation, provided he sells or handles liquors for his employers, be received. In the case of an employee of a corporation partially engaged in the traffic, who neither handles nor sells liquors for his employers and agrees not to do so, in the future, his petition may be accepted. (See Nos. 115, 152, 172.)

240. A Mason, hailing from the Grand Orient of Italy, whose lodge is now extinct, presents a diploma and certificate of the Grand Secretary, setting forth that the lodge is defunct, and that the brother was a member thereof. Are those documents sufficient to accompany a petition for membership in this jurisdiction? I decided:

That the credentials submitted are not sufficient for the purpose indicated, owing to the fact that reciprocal relations have not been established between the "Grand Oriente della Massoneria Italia" and the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

BY THE GRAND LODGE.

241. It is legal and proper to close on the third degree and resume labor on a preceding degree, when work is to be done.

BY HORACE T. DE LONG, 1899.

242. Laying of a corner-stone is not proper Masonic work for the Sabbath day. No Lodge should be convened on Sunday except for the purpose of attending divine service or conducting a Masonic funeral.

243. When a Lodge confers one or more degrees at the request and on behalf of another Lodge, it is not entitled, as a matter of right, to demand any part of the fees.

244. Dimits, to be legal, must be under the seal of the Lodge issuing them.

245. All examinations must be held at regular communications, that being the intent of the words "open Lodge" in By-Law 75.

246. Receiving a petition for initiation and reading it in open Lodge is acting upon it within the meaning of By-Law 55. This is prohibited until the petitioner shall have resided within the jurisdiction of the Lodge at least twelve months.

247. A suspended brother, whether for non-payment of dues or any other cause, is not entitled to Masonic burial, as a matter of right. This matter is similar to the provision made by Decision 35, and the same course should be pursued as there recommended.

248. Every Lodge must vote on its own candidates. Lodge B may, on request of Lodge A, post a brother on any degree, examine him at a regular communication, and spread the ballot on his proficiency. Then Lodge A, after receiving the report of Lodge B, will, if the report be favorable, spread the ballot as usual on the brother's petition for advancement. If he is elected, Lodge A may then request Lodge B to confer for it the next degree.

249. It is improper to discuss in open Lodge the qualifications of a petitioner. Enough may be stated so that all the brethren may know who the petitioner is, but all other information should be given the committee and come in with their report. If necessary, let the petition be again referred and the committee given further time.

250. A Lodge ought not to pay the nurse, doctor and drug bills of a brother able to meet his own obligations. Masonry is not a benefit organization. We are banded together to help the needy, not for each to claim every possible benefit for himself.

251. Lodges do not appear in civic parades, nor on any public occasion such as the laying of cornerstone or conducting a funeral, unless a Masonic Lodge has charge of the ceremonies.

252. An offer to waive jurisdiction provided the usual fees are paid to the Lodge offering to grant the waiver is unmasonic. Waivers should always be granted in the interest of Masonry, and not for a mercenary consideration.

253. All cases where names have been dropped from the roll or members suspended without trial for non-payment of dues since October 5, 1886, are illegal and of no effect. In every such case the name should be restored, dues charged for the entire period, and the Lodge itself pay the back Grand Lodge dues. If the brother then refuses to pay his dues, let charges be preferred and a legal trial had.

254. Every communication of a Lodge U. D. is a communication at which any business may be transacted which does not conflict with the laws, edicts and decisions of the Grand Lodge.

255. The inspection of the ballot box by the Senior and Junior Wardens prior to the casting of the ballot is very desirable, but not essential to the validity of the ballot.

BY THE GRAND LODGE.

256. A petitioner who has moved from the state and four years later returns to the jurisdiction, is not entitled to at once send in his petition for initiation, but, having lost his residence, he is required, under By-Law No. 55, to regain the same by residence for one year in this state after his return, and must do so before he can again petition the Lodge. He has for-

feited his money and all rights under his election. The Lodge may, by vote, restore to his credit the money forfeited.

257. By-Laws Nos. 56 and 80 are mandatory and ought not to be waived.

258. We recommend that our Lodges in adopting a code of By-Laws for their self-government avoid as far as is practicable incorporating therein such subjects as are fully covered by the Constitution, By-Laws and Decisions of this Grand Lodge.

259. By-Law No. 74, together with Decision No. 148, made thereon, are sufficiently full and explicit in regard to physical qualifications and the duties of Lodges in regard thereto, and that it is not advisable to require successive Grand Masters to make rulings thereon in individual cases.

260. That a suitable cut of our in-coming Grand Master be published in our proceedings for this year, and that hereafter such suitable cuts be published of all our in-coming Grand Masters, together with one or more Past Grand Masters.

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FORMS.

PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Lodge
No., A. F. & A. M.*

THE PETITION of the subscriber respectfully represents that he is a MASTER MASON in good standing, and was formerly a member of Lodge No., in the town of under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of from which he has regularly withdrawn, a certificate of which from the Secretary of said Lodge accompanies this his petition, and he now prays admission as a member of your Lodge, if found worthy.

His place of residence is By
occupation he is a He was born
A. D., at

Dated A. D.

Recommended by

..... } *Master
Masons. Signed*

Endorsed on back as follows:

Petition of for Membership.

Received and referred to Brethren

.....

..... Report due

Ballot had Result

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Brother
....., beg leave to report that they have duly
considered the same and have carefully and diligently enquired
into the standing and character of the petitioner, and find him to
be worthy, and recommend that the prayer of his petition
be granted.

Given under our hands this day of A. D.

..... } *Committee.*
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PETITION TO BE MADE A MASON.

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Lodge
No., A. F. & A. Masons:*

The Petition of the subscriber respectfully represents that having long entertained a favorable opinion of your ancient institution, he is desirous, if found worthy, of being admitted a member thereof. If accepted, he pledges himself to a cheerful obedience to all the requirements of your By-Laws, and to the established rules and regulations of the Fraternity. He was born A. D.: his occupation is that of a; his residence

Where were you born?

How long have you lived in Colorado?

How long have you lived within the jurisdiction of this Lodge?

Have you ever applied for the degrees of Masonry, and, if so, when and in what Lodge?

Do you believe in the existence of one ever-living and true God?

Do you know of any physical, legal or moral reason which should prevent you from becoming a Free Mason?

Are you engaged in any manner in the liquor traffic?

Do you agree not to become so engaged in the future?

Dated at this day of A. D.

Recommended by

.....	}	<i>Master Masons.</i>
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On the back of the petition shall be the following:

Petition for initiation of Mr.	Recommended
by	
Petition received	Referred to
.....	
Report due	Report received
.....	
.....	Ballot had
.....	
Result	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Hall of Lodge No. ..., A. F. & A. M.
To Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of said Lodge:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mr.
 for initiation, find in answer to the below
 interrogatories as follows:

1. What is his age?
2. Is he married or single?
3. If married, is he living with his wife?
4. What is his occupation and where is he employed?
5. Is he physically qualified for admission?
6. What is the character of his company and associates?
7. Is he addicted to the intemperate use of intoxicating liquor?
8. Does he gamble?
9. Does he habitually use profane or indecent language?
10. Has he licentious or immoral habits?
11. Is he a law-abiding citizen?
12. Does he possess sufficient education and intelligence to understand and value the doctrines and tenets of Masonry?
13. Has he ever made previous application for the degrees? and if so, where and when?
14. State any other facts of value to the Lodge in arriving at a correct conclusion.

Given under our hands this day of
 A. D.

.....

 } *Committee.*

SUMMONS.

Hall of Lodge No., A. F. & A. M.
 Colorado,

Brother

By order of W. M., you are hereby summoned to attend a Communication of Lodge No. ... A. F. & A. M., on evening, the day of A. L., at .. o'clock, at the usual place of meeting.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Lodge this day of A. L.

..... *Secretary.*

Endorsed on back as follows:

SUMMONS.

To Bro.

Service.—I have served the within summons by

Witness my hand this day of A. L.

.....

CHARGES FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

By order of Lodge No., A. F. & A. M., I hereby charge Brother with unmasonic conduct in neglecting to pay Lodge dues from the day of to the day of

Dated, A. D.

.....
Junior Warden.

PETITION FOR DISPENSATION.

To M. W.Grand Master of Masons in Colorado:

We, the undersigned, being Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, and desirous of exerting our best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry, respectfully represent, that we are desirous of forming a new Lodge incounty, Colorado, to be namedLodge; that the estimated population of said is; that the towns of will be included in the proposed jurisdiction; that the material in the jurisdiction is sufficient to sustain a healthy and reputable Lodge; that all the petitioners are residents within the proposed jurisdiction; that they have at their disposal suitable quarters for the practice of Masonic rites; that the expenses incident to said new Lodge (have been donated) (are to be paid at a future time by said Lodge); they therefore pray for letters of dispensation empowering them to assemble as a regular Lodge, and discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the forms of the fraternity and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

They have nominated and do recommend Bro. to be the first W. M.; Bro. to be the first S. W., and Bro. to be the first J. W.

If the prayer of this petition shall be granted, they promise a strict compliance to the orders of the Grand Master and the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Dated.....

NAME	LODGE	No.	LOCATION OF LODGE
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These signatures must give all the names of each petitioner in full, and the name, number and location of the Lodge from which they hold dimits or certificates. Petitioners from other than Colorado Lodges must present dimits. Those from Colorado Lodges must either present dimits or certificates that their dues are paid up to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW LODGES.

Hall of Lodge No., A. F. & A. M.

..... Colorado,

At a Regular Communication of said Lodge, on evening,, the following, among other proceedings, were had and entered of record:

Bro. offered the following preamble and resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, Brothers.....(those named in the petition)..... have requested this Lodge to recommend their petition to the M. W. Grand Master for a Dispensation to establish a Lodge at, in the county of and state of Colorado, under the name of Lodge, U. D., with Bro. as W. M., Bro. as S. W., and Bro. as J. W.; and

Whereas, The brother named for Master in said petition has exemplified the work before this Lodge, and this Lodge is fully advised as to all matters relating to said petition; therefore,

Resolved, That this Lodge does hereby recommend the M. W. Grand Master to grant the prayer of said petition, and does hereby certify that the statements contained in said petition are true, and that the brother therein named for Master is qualified to open and close a Lodge and to confer the three degrees.

I,, Secretary of said Lodge, do hereby certify that the above is a correct transcript from the records of said Lodge.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Lodge, at Colorado, this day of, A. D.

[Seal.] *Secretary.*

PETITION FOR CHARTER.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

The undersigned respectfully represent that on the day of, A. L., a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master for the formation of a new Lodge at in the county of, Colorado, by the name of Lodge; that on the day of next ensuing, said Lodge was opened and organized, and has since continued successfully to work during the period named in said Dispensation, as will appear from its records and returns, herewith presented; and that it is the earnest desire of the members of said Lodge that its existence be perpetuated;

They therefore pray that a Charter be granted to said Lodge, by the name of Lodge, with such number as the Grand Lodge may assign it, and recommend that Bro. be named therein as Master; Bro. as Senior Warden, and Bro. as Junior Warden; promising, as heretofore, strict obedience to the orders of the Grand Master, and conformity to the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

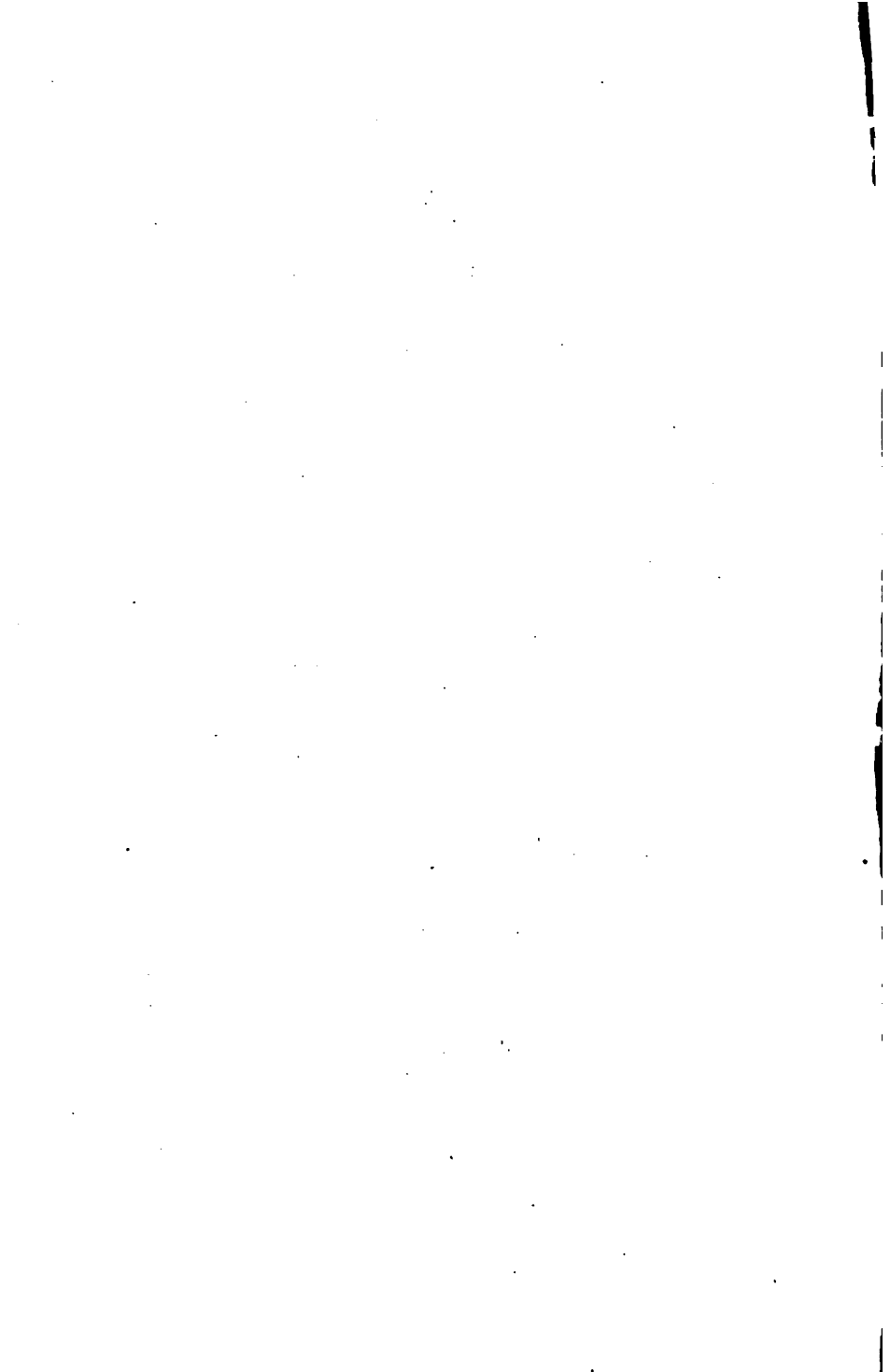
We herewith submit a copy of our proposed By-Laws. .

Dated at this

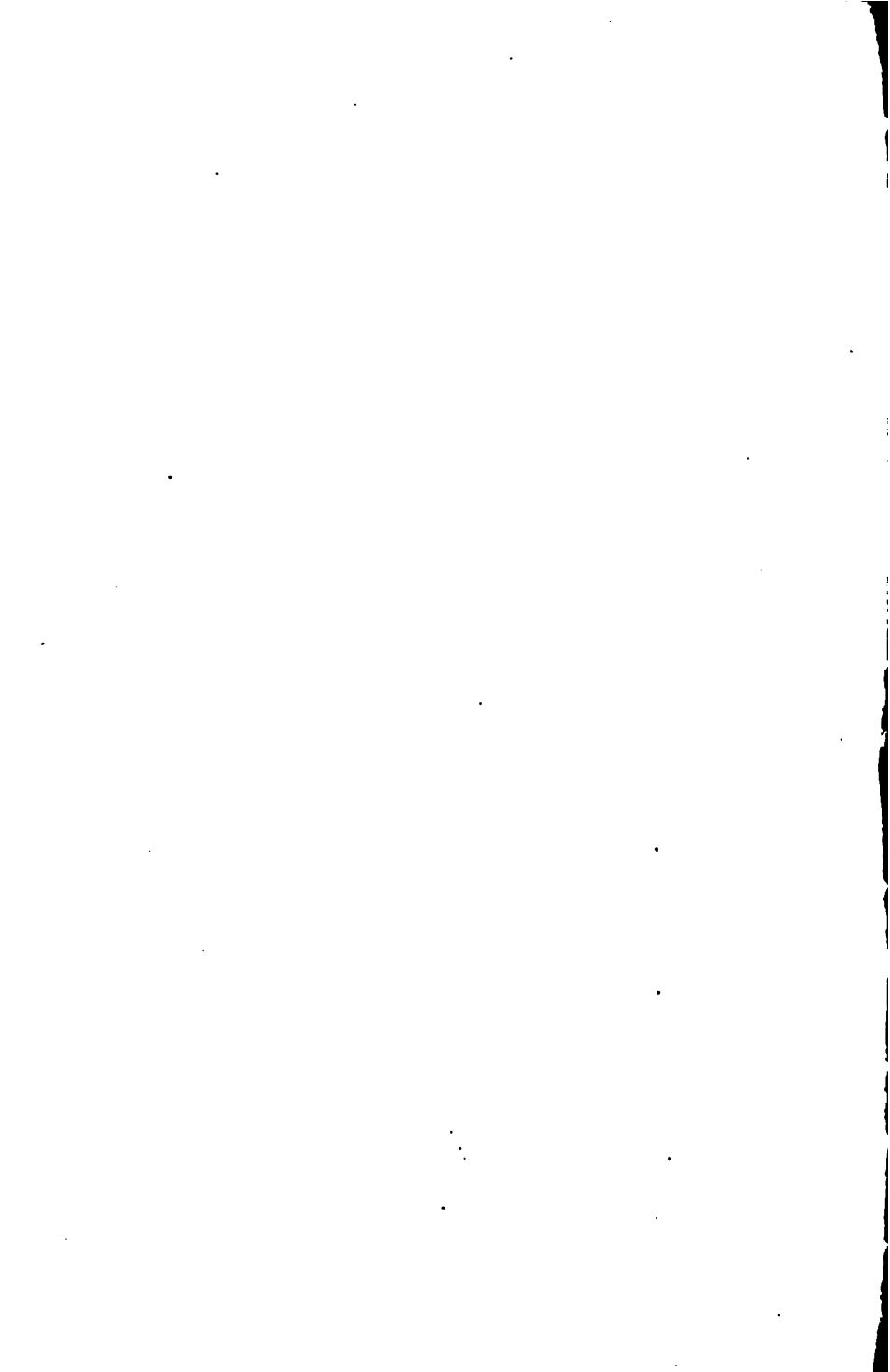
[Names.]

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This must be signed by each petitioner, giving all their names in full. All whose names appeared in the Dispensation, and all raised in the Lodge while working under Dispensation, are eligible to petition for Charter. Should it be impossible to obtain the signatures of all, their names should be given beneath the signatures, with a statement why they have not been formally signed, and a certificate from the Master added, that it is their wish to become Charter members; and should any non-affiliated Masons not named in the Dispensation wish to become Charter members, they may do so; Provided, They shall have received the unanimous endorsement of the Lodge under Dispensation, expressed by ballot. The limits of such must be forwarded with this petition.









Grand Officers of Colorado.

1899-1900.

Grand Lodge.

ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (51), Leadville.....	G. M.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (15), Canon City.....	D. G. M.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (13), Colorado Springs.....	S. G. W.
MARSHALL H. DEAN (65), Glenwood Springs.....	J. G. W.
DARIUS A. BARTON (87), Denver.....	G. Treas.
ED. C. PARMELEE (48), Masonic Temple, Denver.....	G. Sec.

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HARPER M. ORAHOOD (11).....	Denver
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L. N. GREENLEAF (5).....	Denver
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The Fortieth Annual will be held in Denver, the third Tuesday
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Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

JETHRO C. SANFORD (15), Durango.....	G. H. P.
ED. C. PARMELEE (29), Denver.....	G. Sec.

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JAMES H. PEABODY (14).....	Canon City
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ERNEST L. N. FOSTER (29).....	Denver
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The twenty-sixth Annual will be held in Denver, Thursday,
September 20, 1900.

Grand Commandery.

JOHN M. MAXWELL (5), Leadville.....	G. C.
ED. C. PARMELEE (25), Denver.....	G. Rec.

CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

HARPER M. ORAHOOD (25).....	Denver
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CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

HARPER M. ORAHOOD (25).....	Denver
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The Twenty-fifth Annual will be held in Denver, Saturday,
September 22, 1900.

